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4 At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Summerset, 7th of 11th mo. 1844.

In consequence of repeated violations of the discipline and order of society, on the part of the Clerk, and other members, who have assumed the controll of it for a long time past — and also in consequence of the Clerk and others having at this time separated themselves from us; divers friends now in attendance, feel bound to continue the Meeting, in order that they may be enabled to transact the business there of, in accordance with the ancient doctrines, discipline and order of the society, — where upon Martha S. Gould is appointed Clerk for the ensuing year, or until another appointment, and Asenath Buffinton assistant Clerk for the day.

From Swanzey Monthly Meeting we have received answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th queries which were read. The representatives named in the report from that Meeting are, Mary Buffinton and Patience Chace who, upon being called, were present.

Owing to the present state of our society we have not received reports from any other Monthly Meeting.

From Men Friends we have received a communication relative to the state of things in this Quarterly Meeting which is as follows; viz - Friends within the limits of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, who are concerned for the support of the Doctrines and Discipline of the society, have painfully beheld, for a considerable time past, a disposition on the part of some, who have assumed to be the ruling members of said Quarterly Meeting, to exercise undue authority in the administration of our discipline, tending to the abuse of order, and to misrule therein, to the great injury of subordinate Meetings and individuals, in the privation of the rights and privileges which the Yearly Meeting has conferred upon them; to the dishonour of Truth and the perversion

of the Discipline thereby dictated. And those who have assumed this authority, have also supported and defended a certain writer or writers of doctrines which are at variance with the long established principles of our society.

And furthermore have recently, unauthorised by the discipline, disturbed the peace of the ancient Swanzey Monthly Meeting, a branch of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, and that without cause or good reason, and have caused a part of the members thereof, to separate from said Monthly Meeting, and have aided them in setting up a spurious Monthly Meeting, to the reproach of Truth, and in direct violation of our discipline. — And the person who has for some time acted as Clerk of this Quarterly Meeting, and some others, have fully identified themselves with this spurious Monthly Meeting, by attending and supporting the same, and now by receiving their accounts and representatives and rejecting those from Swanzey Monthly Meeting as it has been long established and still is continued — wherefore we feel ourselves called upon "as those who are to give account" to testify against the course and proceedings of those ruling members of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, for the reason that they have separated themselves as aforesaid from the order of society; and we have, as we feel ourselves in duty bound, continued together for the purpose of sustaining and holding the ancient Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting and transacting the business of it, "agreeably to Truth, our discipline, and Christian justice."

Information having been received from Men Friends, that they had appointed a committee to attend subordinate Meetings for the purpose of advising and assisting them in the right transaction of their business, according to discipline and good order — this Meeting unites therewith and appoints Mary Buffin-

—ton Ruth Chace Phebe Foster Patience Chace Sydia Wilbur Eunice Foster Martha S Gould Sarah S Kenyon and Asenath Buffinton, to join men friends in the service.

We conclude, purposing to meet again at Providence in the 2nd month, if permitted.

Martha S Gould. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Providence 6th of 2nd month 1845.

By the accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings, the representatives are, for Rhode Island Catharine K. Boyd and Martha S Gould; from Swansey Mary Buffinton, Nancy B Buffinton Mary Shearman and Sophia Chace: from Greenwich Lydia Wilbur Eunice Foster and Mialmi Foster: — from Providence Isabella G. Kenyon and Sarah S. Kenyon whose names being called, they are present, except four for the absence of whom a satisfactory reason has been assigned.

The Clerk being absent, Susan C Ray is appointed Clerk for the day, and Sarah S Kenyon assistant.

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have received answers to the first, second, and tenth Queries, which with the accounts have been read at this time.

This Meeting unites with the Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Catharine Mitchel to the station of an Elder; and with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in approving of the public appearances in the Ministry, of Hannah Carpenter both of which have been united with by men Friends.

This Meeting also unites with men Friends in the appointment of John Mitchel to the station of an Elder.

Received and read at this time a report of the

committee appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting to advise and assist subordinate Meetings, which is satisfactory, and is as follows, namely:

To the Quarterly Meeting:

The Committee appointed at the last Quarter to attend the subordinate Meetings, to advise and assist Friends in the transaction of their business according to discipline and good order;—

Report that some of their number have attended all the Preparative Meetings in the Quarter which have been held since their appointment; and labored as ability was afforded to sustain the discipline and good order of Society therein;—although at many times under trying circumstances, from the opposition of those who have been too ready to involve and implicate themselves in the separation recently brought about within our limits by unsound and defective members.

Swanzey Monthly Meeting in which this result of the sorrowful defection of principle among us was first openly manifested, has been held in the meeting house as usual, except the last, though subject to much disturbance from those who have joined in the separation.

At their last Preparative Meeting at Fall River and Monthly Meeting in Somerset, these by the use of locks and physical force prevented Friends from the occupancy of their usual places of Meeting, going to the extent of laying violent hands on some in peaceable attendance at the Monthly Meeting for worship, and putting them out of the house. And although Friends were thus repulsed in endeavoring to attend their Meeting for worship, yet after a little time, they were enabled to enter and hold that Meeting; at the conclusion of which the doors of that part of the house usually occupied by the men were found to be locked.— After sitting

a short time, the Separatists found means to pass into that part of the house through a small aperture not usually opened for such purpose; and it therefore, and in consequence of disturbance in the women's meeting, became necessary for Friends to hold the Monthly Meeting, both of men and women, in the Meeting house yard.

The Preparative Meetings at Fall River and Freetown have been sustained.

At Providence Monthly Meeting, in the eleventh month last the opposers, among whom was the Clerk, refused to read and acknowledge the minute of our appointment, and it became necessary to appoint a new Clerk, which was done, and the business of the Meeting opened, thereupon the former Clerk, and most of those who sustained him in rejecting us, left the house: A few of them remained, greatly disturbing the Meeting, deriding and reproaching those assembled, and repeatedly warning them not to use the meeting house for such a purpose and indulging in much unbecoming and light conversation and laughter. Among those thus disturbing the Meeting, it was painful to observe some who were in high stations in society.

The Meeting was favoured to transact its business to a good degree of satisfaction, and notwithstanding this interruption, to conclude under a covering of solemnity. At their next monthly Meeting, which convened at the Meeting house in Lower Smithfield at the usual hour, on the appointed day for that Meeting; and finding the house locked and being unable to open it without force, held the Meeting for worship in the Meeting house yard, and that for discipline was adjourned to the house of John Allen on North Providence, and held there. At the conclusion of the Meeting for worship, a man came, and with a key opened the Meeting house door, went in, and again fastened it. On being applied to for admittance, he

refused to open the house — gave his name as George Taylor Williams, and said it was sent them by Nathan C. Smith and James Dennis and directed by them, to keep people out of the house. — Their last Monthly Meeting was held at the house of John T. Kenyon.

The Preparative Meetings have not been sustained in Providence Monthly Meeting.

The Island Monthly Meeting on the eleventh month, met as usual, in the west part of the meeting house at Newport, and at the conclusion of the Meeting for worship, on the men's going into the chamber to hold the Meeting for discipline, two men were stationed near the top of the stairs, and when some of us, with some of the members of that Meeting, were passing up, these men put forth their arms and stopped us; saying that we could not enter: afterwards the door was locked and a man not a member of society, put in keeping of it. Being thus debarred, the Meeting gathered in the large, cold room below, and a Clerk was appointed and the women informed of the situation of the men's Meeting: — Their Meeting also being disturbed by the opposers, it was concluded to adjourn the Monthly Meeting to the houses of King Gould and Thomas B. Gould in Newport, where it was comfortably held, the way in good degree opening for the deliverance of our friends there, from the hands of these people. Their next Monthly Meeting was held at William Boyd's ~~house~~ in Portsmouth, he having kindly offered Friends the use of his house: — and their last again at Thomas B. Gould's at Newport.

Their Preparative Meeting at Newport, together with their Meeting for worship at the same place, have also been held since their rejection from their usual Meeting place, at Thomas B. Gould's house.

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The first Meeting of Greenwich Monthly Meeting, after the last Quarter, was held at Cranston; and on presenting our minute of appointment, it was rejected by the Clerk, and many sustained him therein; whereupon a new Clerk was appointed and the business of the Meeting entered upon but being disturbed by the former Clerk and others, professing to do the business of the Monthly Meeting (having complaint placed on their minutes against some for attending our last Quarterly Meeting, calling it a separate Meeting &c.) Friends sat quietly until this disturbance ceased, and then proceeded with their business. — The former Clerk, and a few others who sustained him, remained in the house, until the Meeting was concluded. At their next Monthly Meeting, which was held at Greenwich, the Meeting for worship was held in the west part of the house, at the conclusion of which it was found that the door, from one room to the other through which it was usual for the men to pass, was fastened, and it became necessary for all to go out of the house, in order to get into the other part of it; but on coming to the door to pass in, four or five men stood very closely together in the doorway and on the steps, interposing their bodies to prevent Friends from entering the house. Finding remonstrance against such physical demonstration, of no avail, the men's Meeting retired to the shed, and having read the opening minute, informed the women, who also were disturbed by the opposers; then adjourned and held the Monthly Meeting at George C. Kenyons house.

Their last Monthly Meeting was held at the house of Ruth Kenyon, within the limits of Coventry particular meeting. The Preparative Meetings of South Kingston and Hopkinton have been sustained — but these, together with the Meetings for worship at those places have been removed to Friends dwelling houses, in consequence of being forcibly deprived of the use of their Meeting houses, by those who have given themselves up to the support of unsound principles and disorderly practices.

In consequence of such forcible deprivation, the changes in the places of holding the Monthly Meetings, noticed in this report, have taken place, under our advice with a view to avoid contention and strife, which our opposers in a spirit so contrary to the christian principles we profess and desire ever to maintain, seem every where ready to engage in. — This course has been taken without intending thereby to relinquish our just right to the property thus wrongfully withheld from us, all claim to which, as members of our Society, they have forfeited by an abandonment of its principles and discipline.

Notwithstanding we have met with many unpleasant things in attending these Meetings, yet we have a faith that if patience is abode in, and we seek to be clothed with the whole armour of righteousness, steadily persevering in the path of duty, that a way will be made where there seems many discouragements.

And we feel a great desire that whatever we may have to suffer, or whatever may be the reproaches heaped upon us, or provocation to do evil; that we may follow the example of the Blessed Saviour who was reviled and reviled not again: — and that we may be endued with a measure of His Spirit which so conspicuously shown forth in that affecting request "Father forgive them for they know not what they do." — And may the cause of Truth and Righteousness be paramount to every other to every other consideration — accounting all other things as dung and dross in comparison of the riches of Christ — then the work will prosper in our hands. — Notwithstanding there may be apparantly few who are willing to give up all for Christ's sake, and be found amongst His little despised followers, let this be no discouragement believing the Lord will prosper His own work, for He can make a wilderness a fruitful field." —

Providence 2nd Month 5th 1845

On behalf of the Comtee
John Mitchell
Phebe Foster

And it is thought best by this Meeting, that the same committee should still continue to extend such advice and assistance to our subordinate Meetings as way may open for, and occasion require.

This Meeting adjourns, to meet again four weeks from to day at the place where our men friends may meet.

Susan C. Way, Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends, held at Providence by adjournment 6th of 3rd month 1825. — four of the representatives being present

We appoint Mary Buffinton to inform the Select Quarterly Meeting of the appointment of Catharine Mitchell to the station of Elder and of the approval of the public appearances in the ministry of Hannah Carpenter.

An address has been produced from men's Meeting prepared by a committee appointed in the second month last, to take into consideration a minute issued by the Meeting for sufferings in the eleventh month, which was read and united with and the Clerk is directed to sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

As some Friends now in attendance were not present in the second month at the reading of the report of the Committee appointed in the eleventh month to advise and assist subordinate meetings, it has been again read and it is concluded to appoint Hannah B. Buffinton, Isabella Sherman and Mary Buffinton 2nd, in addition to that Committee.

The Meeting purposing to meet again at the usual time and place, in the 5th month, if permitted.

Martha S. Gould. Clerk.

At R. I. & Island Quarterly Meeting of Woman Friends, held at East Greenwich, 1st of 5th month 1845.

By the accounts from the different Monthly Meetings, the representatives are - from Rhode Island Comfort W. Hazard, Hannah Hall and Lydia Mitchell - from Swansey, Patience Chace, Mary Buffinton 2nd and Mary Buffinton and Isabella B. Sherman - from Greenwich Eunice Foster and Susan C. Hoag - from Providence Mary Ann Kenyon and Sarah S. Kenyon. who being called, were all present except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The queries with answers to each, from all our Monthly Meetings, have been read at this time from which a summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present State, which together with copy of this minute we forward to the Yearly Meeting by Mary Buffinton, Ruth Kenyon, Sarah S. Kenyon, Catharine K. Boyd, Patience Chace, Eunice Foster and Martha S. Gould, whom we appoint our representatives.

Men Friends inform that they have concluded to request the Yearly Meeting to reverse its decision, confirming the dissolution of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting, believing the cause of Truth to require such reversal and also its decision confirming the disownment of John Wilbur by Greenwich Monthly Meeting and of Thomas Nichols by Rhode Island Monthly Meeting as in like manner called for - with which this Meeting unites.

This Meeting concludes, to meet again in the 8th month at the usual place, should no change be made by the intervening Yearly Meeting.

Martha S. Gould. Clerk.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

We have received answers to the Queries from all our Monthly Meetings, from which a summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present state; which together with a copy of this minute we forward by our representatives, Ann Buffum Peirce, Grace Hutchinson, Catharine R. Boyd, Sarah L. Kenyon, Eunice Foster and Martha S. Gould.

This Meeting has united with Rhode Island Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Catharine Mitchell to the station of an Elder. —

Also with Greenwich Monthly Meeting in approving the gift and public appearances in the ministry of Hannah Congdon.

Extracted from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting, held at East Greenwich, 1st of 5th month 1845.

Martha S. Gould, Clerk.

Summary.

1st Answer. — All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline, have been attended, — those on first days and for discipline by most Friends; — mid-week Meetings not so well attended; while those who have identified themselves in the late separation, neglect to attend at all and a few Preparative Meetings continue to withhold their accounts from us — The hour nearly observed — Friends are preserved from sleeping, and from other unbecoming behaviour, clear as far as appears.

2nd Ans. — Love and unity are maintained, detraction guarded against, and we know of no differences, but with those who have separated from us; on account of which some care has been taken.

3rd Ans. We believe Friends (except those who have separated from us) endeavour to bring up those under their care, in plainness, as queried; also to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from corrupt conversation; and are generally exam-
- plary herein themselves; - the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

4th Ans. Clear as far as appears.

5th Ans. - The circumstances of the poor are inspected, and their necessities relieved; - their children freely partake of learning, - none placed from among Friends.

6th Ans. Friends are generally careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage, be conformable to our discipline; two instances of marrying out of society, under notice.

7th Ans. No breach of this query among us, but some of those who have absented themselves from our Meetings, attend where there is an hireling ministry.

8th Ans. We are not aware of any breach of this Query, unless it be among those who have seceded from our society.

9th Ans. Marriage certificates duly recorded; births and deaths mostly; three removals without certificates under notice.

10th Ans. A care remains with Friends to deal with offenders as required by the Query; but as no way has yet opened to extend our labor to those who have seceded from us, we have not been prepared to place judgment ac-
- cording to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held in Newport 7th of 8th month 1845.

By the accounts from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are, from Rhode Island, Mary Sheffield, Catharine Mitchell, and Sarah Carr — from Greenwich, Eunice Foster and Lydia Wilbur — from Swansey, Mary Buffinton Mary Chace, Mary B. Sherman and Asenath Buffinton — from Providence Sarah S. Kenyon; — four of whom, on being called, were not present — for the absence of two, a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The representatives appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting, inform they all attended except two.

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have re — ceived answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th queries, which with the accounts have been read at this time.

Mary Buffinton informs that agreeably to her appointment, the Select Meeting has been informed of the addition made thereto.

This Meeting unites with Swansey Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Ruth Chace and Mary Chace to the station of Elder, with the concurrance of men's Meeting.

We also unite with men Friends in the appoint — ment of Palmer Chace and Thomas Wilbur to the same station.

Lydia Wilbur is appointed to inform the Select Meeting of the appointment of Ruth Chace and Mary Chace, to the station of Elder.

Men Friends inform, that the Yearly Meeting has granted their request in regard to the re — location of South Kingstown Monthly Meeting and it

is accordingly re-established and to be held in the ninth month next at Hopkinton, and thence forward to be continued as it was before its dissolution.

This Meeting unites with their Friends in approving the gift and public appearances in the ministry of Thomas B. Gould.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, have been acceptably read at this time.

At the request of some of the members of Greenwich Monthly Meeting, our Men's Meeting has concluded to discontinue that Monthly Meeting, and attach the members there of to South Kingstown with which this Meeting fully unites.

This Meeting concludes, to meet again at Fall River in the 11th month, if permitted.

Martha S. Gould. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends, held in Fall River 6th of 11th month, 1845.

By the accounts from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are, from Rhode Island Catharine Mitchell, Catharine K. Boyd and Lydia Mitchell — from Swanzey Appha Chace, Patience Chace and Mary Chace — from South Kingston Eunice Foster and Lydia Wilbur — from Providence Lepha Chace and Sarah S. Kenyon, who, being called are all present except one, who was prevented by indisposition.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th queries, which with the accounts, have been read at this time.

Lydia Wilbur reports that she has informed the Select Meeting of the appointment of Ruth Chace and Mary Chace to the station of Elder.

As the term for which the Clerk of this Meeting was appointed has expired, the subject has claimed the attention of Friends at this time and they were united in the appointment of Martha S. Gould to that service and Mary Buffinton 2nd for assistant Clerk, for the ensuing year, or untill another appointment.

This Meeting concludes; purposing to meet again at Providence, in the 2nd month next

Martha S. Gould. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Providence, the 5th of 2nd month 1846.

By the accounts from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are, from Rhode Island Catharine K. Boyd. Hannah Hall, and Martha Gould — from Swanzey, Appha Chace Isabella B. Sherman Mary Buffinton and Mary Buffinton 2 — from South Kingstown Lydia Wilbour and Susan C. Hay, — from Providence. Sepha Chace and Sarah S. Wenyon who upon being called, are all present except one who was prevented by indisposition.

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have received answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th queries, which with the accounts, have been read at this time.

This Meeting concludes; to meet again at East-Greenwich, in the 5th month next, if permitted.

Mary Buffinton 2nd. Assistant Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich, 7th of 5th month 1846.

The Clerk being absent, Susan C. Way is appointed for the day.

By the accounts from the different Preparative Meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island, Catharine K. Boyd, Hannah Tallman and Lydia Sanford — from Swansey, Mary Buffinton, Hannah Buffinton, Edith Gardiner and Mary Buffinton 2nd — from South Kingston Lydia Wilbur, Susan C. Way and Elizabeth Green — from Providence, Esther Mowry and Sarah Thurston, whose names being called are present except two; for the absence of one a satisfactory reason has been assigned.

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have received answers to the queries, and they, with the accounts, have been read, and a summary compiled, descriptive of our present state; which with a copy of this minute, we forward to the Yearly Meeting, by Rhoda Foster, Lydia Wilbur, Ruth Rhodes, Sarah Thurman, Mary Buffinton, Eunice Foster, Lydia Mitchell and Catharine K. Boyd, whom we appoint our representatives.

This Meeting unites with South Kingston Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Rhoda Foster to the station of Elder, having the approbation of Men Friends herein. — Mary Buffinton is appointed to inform the Select Meeting of the same.

We also unite with Men Friends in the appointment of Thomas Foster to the same station.

A memorial from Swansey Monthly Meeting was presented at this time, concerning our dear deceased friend Ruth Buffinton, which was now read and feelingly united with, and sent to our Men's Meeting.

Men Friends presented to this Meeting a memorial from Swanzey Monthly Meeting concerning our beloved Friend Benjamin Buffinton, deceased, which has been feelingly united with.

The committee appointed in the 11th month 1844. to advise and assist the Subordinate Meetings, composing this Quarterly Meeting, made the following report, which is accepted, and they are therefor released from further service.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends

The committee appointed to advise and assist the Subordinate Meetings, composing this Quarterly Meeting, report; that they have from time to time given such attention to this service as seemed to be required, and way has opened for; — and that in their opinion the situation of the different Monthly Meetings is now such, that the further continuance of the committee, may be safely omitted. On behalf of the committee

East Greenwich, 5th Month 7th 1846. John Mitchell
Phebe Foster.

This Meeting concludes, purposing to meet again in the eighth month at Newport, if permitted.

Susan C. Ray, Clerk for the day.

Summary.

Ans. 1st. All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline, have been kept up by those who have not receded from our religious Society. Meetings for discipline and those on First days, pretty generally attended — Mid-week Meetings, not so well attended — the hour nearly observed Friends preserved from sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

Ans. 2nd. Love and unity are maintained by those who remain with Friends. Detraction guarded against. No differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans. 3rd. Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care agreeably to the several requisitions of this Query: and also to be exemplary in these respects themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th. No breach of this Query has come to our knowledge.

Ans 5th. Careful as regards the several parts of this Query.

Ans 6th. Friends are generally careful that all proceed-
-ings respecting marriage, be conformable to our discipline.

Ans 7th. Clear.

Ans 8th. We believe the several parts of this Query are observed.

Ans. 9th. Marriage certificates recorded — Births, Deaths, and Burials, mostly — Not quite clear, as to removal certificates.

Ans. 10th. We trust care will be taken, to deal with offenders, when way opens, according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends, held in Newport, 8th. month 6th 1846.

Accounts being received from the different Monthly, Meetings, the representatives from Rhode Island Catharine Mitchell and Abigail Gould — from Swanzey Mary Buffinton, Susan Buffinton and Ann Wilbur — from South Kingston Eunice Foster, Judith W. Thurston, and Elizabeth Perry Jun. from Providence Sepha Chace and Sarah S. Kenyon; who being called, are present, except one, for whose absence a satisfactory reason has been assigned.

The Clerk being absent, Sarah S. Kenyon is appointed, to serve the Meeting for the day.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the five queries usually answered which together with the accounts, have been read at this time.

Mary Sheffield reports, that she has informed the Select Meeting of the appointment of Thos Foster to the Station of Elder.

The representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, inform, they all attended, except one, for whose absence a reason has been given.

Extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, have been received and acceptably read at this time and the Clerk is directed to furnish copies to each of the different Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting concludes, purposing to meet again in the 11th Month at Fall River, if permitted.

Sarah L Kenyon
Clerk for the day;

At the adjourned Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held in Fall River 5th of 11th Month, 1846.

Accounts being received from each of our Monthly Meetings, the representatives appointed from Rhode Island — Sarah Hall, Mary Sheffield and Lydia Mitchel — from Smithfield, Prince Chace Isabella B. Sherman, Anna R. Fisk and Ruth Chace — from South Kingstown Phebe Foster, Lydia Wilbur and Judith P. Sherman — from Providence Lepha Chace, and Alice Chace; who, being called, are present, except two, for whom a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The Clerk being absent, Isabella Sherman is appointed to serve the Meeting for the day.

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered, which together with the accounts, have been read at this time.

Men Friends presented a certificate on behalf of our esteemed Friend, Nathan Page, from Salem Monthly Meeting, held in Salem 3rd of 10th month, 1846; whose company and Gospel labours have been very satisfactory, and encouraging to us.

This Meeting concludes, to meet again at Providence in the second month next, if permitted.

Isabella B. Sherman. Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends, held at Providence, 4th of 2nd Month, 1847.

By the accounts from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are — from Rhode Island, Lydia Mitchell, Hannah Hall and Catharine K. Boyd — from Swansey, Sophia Chase, Mary Buffinton 2nd, Lydia Chase, and Isabel Chase — from South Kingston, Ann Perry, Phebe Foster and Ruth A. Foster — from Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Sarah S. Kenyon, who being called, are present except three, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The time having expired for which the Clerk and Assistant of this Meeting, were appointed and the former desiring to be released, we are united in the appointment of Phebe Foster for Clerk, and Mary Buffinton 2nd, Assistant, for the year ensuing, or until others are appointed in their place

From all our Monthly Meetings, we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered, which together with the accounts have been read in this Meeting;

The Clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared by the Men for our beloved Friend, Nathan Page.

This Meeting concludes, purposing to meet again at Green-wich in the 5th month next if permitted.

Phebe Foster. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at East Greenwich 6th. of 5 Mo 1847.

By accounts from the diffrent Monthly Meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island Catharine K. Boyd and Catharine Mitchel from Swansey Patience Chase Ann Wilbur Mary Buffington and Isabel B Shearman, from Southkingston Elizabeth Perry Elizabeth Foster and Lydia Wilbur, from Providence Lydia Chase and Mary E. Henyon whose names being called are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answ-ers to the Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time from, from which a summary has been compiled descrip-tive of our present state, which together with a copy of this minute we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives Lydia Wilbur Mary Buffington Lydia Ann Gould Eunice Foster Mary E Henyon Patience Chase Catharine Mitchel & Sarah S Henyon who are desired to report to our next Meeting

This Meeting concludes purposeing to meet again in the 8th Mo. at Newport if permitted

Phebe Foster. Clerk

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To the New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
To be held at Newport on Rhode Island

Dear Friends

We have received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings with Answers to the Queries, which have been read at this time, from which a summary has been compiled descriptive of our present state, which with a copy of this meanwhile we forward to you by our representatives Lydia Wilbur & Mary Buffington Lydia Ann Yeadon Eunice Foster Mary E Kenyon Valence Chase Catharine Mitchel and Sarah H Kenyon Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings minutes have been read in this and the Monthly Meetings here to belonging to satisfaction

Extracted from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich 6th of 5 Mo. 1847

Phebe Foster Clerk

Summary

Ans 1st. We our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been kept up & generly attended by those who have not seceeded, except one unattended by women in consequence of a storm the hour nearly observed — and we believe Friends are mostly preserved from sleeping, of other unbecoming behaviour clear.

Ans. 2 nd. Love and unity are maintained by those that hold to the ancient principles of Friends — detraction is guarded against by such, we know of no differences except with those who have separated from us, for which some one has been taken.

Ans. 3rd. Most friends evince a concern to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and dress also to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation — and are generally exemplary herein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in friends families.

Ans. 4th. Careful as regards the several parts of this query

Ans. 5th. The circumstances of the poor are inspected and their necessities attended to — their children freely partake of learning — none placed out from among friends.

Ans. 6th. Friends are generly careful that all proceedins respecting marriage are conformable to Dicipline aside from those that have separated from us.

Ans. 7th. No breach of this query among us.

Ans. 8th. So far as we know clear in all theserespects.

Ans. 9th. Marriage Certificates duely recorded — births, deaths and burials mostly — not quite clear as to removal certificates

Ans. 10th. Some care has been taken to deal with those who have seperated themselves from us, and when dealing with them, we have not been unmindful of the trust committed to our charge, that it should be done in meekness & wisdom as to enable us to pass judgment according to Dicipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meting of women Friends held at Newport 5th of 8th mo. 1847.

By the accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island Catharine A. Bond and Abigail Gould, from Scoonzey Arsenath Dillingham Patience Chace and Mary Chace, from Southkingstown Eunice Foster and Phebe Foster, from Providence Mary E. Kenyon Lepla Chace and Sarah E. Kenyon, whose names being called, they are all present.

The representatives appointed at our last Quarterly Meting report that they all attended except three in which instance satisfactory reasons were rendered.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the first, second and tenth Queries, which with the accounts, have been read at this time.

Extract from our last Yearly Meetings minutes have been produced and acceptably read at this time — and the Clerk is directed to furnish a copy to each of our Monthly Meetings.

We have also received and acceptably read an Epistle from our Friend Esther Austin of Westbrook Maine, sent down from the Yearly Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to furnish each of the Monthly Meetings with a copy thereof.

This meeting concludes, purposing to meet again in the Eleventh month at Fall River if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River 4th. & 5th. Month 1847.

By accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are for Rhode Island, Mariah Hall & Catharine Mitchell and Catharine K. Boyd, from Swansey Esther Sherman Elizabeth Lincoln and Mary Brightman, from Smithfield Lydia Wilbur and Ruth A. Foster, from Providence Abby E. Chace and Mary E. Hinds whose names being called they are all present.

From all our Monthly meetings we have received answers to the first second and tenth Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time.

At this meeting we have had the company of our esteemed Friend Martha Sage with a copy of a minute

from Salem Monthly Meeting held 14th of 10th Month 1847 -
his company and religious labors have been acceptable
and encouraging to us.

Rhode Island Monthly Meeting has proposed to this Meeting to
have the privilege granted them of holding their Monthly
Meetings in future at Newport instead of alternately at
Newport and Portsmouth, which after consideration, this
meeting unites with new Friends in granting.

This meeting concludes, purposing to meet in the Second
month at Pawtucket North Providence if permitted.
Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held
at North Providence 3d. of 2d. month 1848.

By accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings, the
representatives are for Rhode Island Lydia Mitchell & Martha
A. Gould from Swanzey Hannah Buffinton Ruth Chace and
Mary Buffinton, from South Kingstown Phebe Foster and Lydia
Wilbur & from Providence Sarah A. Kenyon and Ann E.
Chace whose names being called they are all present ex-
-cept two.

The time having expired for which the clerk and as-
-sistant were appointed, this Meeting is united in the re-
-appointment of Phebe Foster as Clerk, and Mary Buffinton
as assistant Clerk for the year ensuing.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received
answers to the first second and tenth Queries which with the
account have been read at this time.

The Clerk is directed by this Meeting to sign a minute
prepared by new Friends for our esteemed Friend Nathan Page

This meeting concludes proposing to meet again in the Fifth month at East Greenwich if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at East Greenwich 4th. of 5th. Month 1848.

By accounts received from the different Monthly meetings the representatives are, fr. Rhode Island, Hannah Hall, Catharine K. Boyd and Marshall Conld, from Swanzey Edith G. Aiken Mary Buffinton and Abenath Buffinton, from South Kingston Eunice Foster and Elizabeth Greene from Providence, Lydia Chace and Anna E. Chace whose names being called they are all present.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time, from which a summary has been compiled discriptive of our present state, which together with a copy of this minute we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives Phebe Foster, Mary Buffinton, Anna E. Chace, Sarah L. Kenyon Eunice Hall, Lydia Wilbur, Hannah Hall, Abenath Buffinton and Martha S. Gould who are desired to report to our next meeting.

This meeting concludes proposing to meet again in the Eighth month at Newport if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

Summary.

Qu. 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been kept up excepting one Preparative Meeting, which on account of indisposition and inclement weather

was only attended by one woman. Some of our Meetings not so well attended as would be desirable — The Queries duly observed. Friends generally preserved from intemperance & other unbecoming behaviour & dress.

Ans 2nd. Love and unity in a good degree maintained & discouraging quarrels & contentions & no differences have come to our knowledge

Ans. 3rd. Most Friends are careful to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel & to restrain them from vain & superfluous customs & corrupt conversation, and are generally exemplary therein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in their families.

Ans 4th. Friends are careful as respects the several parts of this query.

Ans 5th. The circumstances of the poor and such as appear likely to be needy, are attended to, and their necessities relieved — Their children freely partake of learning — none are placed from under Friends.

Ans 6th. Friends appear to be careful that all proceedings respecting marriage be conformable to our Discipline

Ans 7th. None —

Ans. 8th. We believe Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts. & to be punctual to their promises and just in the payments of their debts — and to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 9th. Care taken as to records in case of removal without certificates

Ans 10th. Care rest on the minds of Friends to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness & wisdom. and to bear judgment when it appears necessary in gathering of truth according to Discipline

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 3d. of 8th Month 1848.

By accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island Mary Gould and Catharine K. Peace from Swanzey Patience Chace Alice Robinson 2d. and Mary Chace, from South Kingstown Eliza Foster and Ruth Potter from Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna P. Chace who being called are all present.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the first Record and Tenth Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time.

The representatives appointed at our last Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting report that they attended to that appointment.

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting's minutes have been produced and acceptably read at this time, and the clerk is directed to transmit a copy of the same to each of our Monthly Meetings.

This meeting concludes, purposing to meet again in the Eleventh month at Fall River if permitted.

Ruth Foster clerk

4th Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held 2d. of 11th Month 1848.

By accounts received from the different Monthly Meetings the Representatives are from Rhode Island Mary Gould, Hannah Hall and Catharine K. Peace, from Swanzey Eliza Sherman Isabel Chace and Isabel B. Sherman, from South Kingstown Eliza Foster and Ann Peace from Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Sarah L. Hutson, whose names being called they are all present.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered which with the accounts have been read at this time.

This meeting concludes purposing to meet again in the Second month at South Providence if permitted.

Mary Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2d Month 1st 1849.

Accounts are received from all our Monthly Meetings and the representatives are from Rhode Island Catharine Mitchell and Hannah Hall from Swanzey Mary Buffinton Mary Wing Buffinton 2d and Ruth Wood, from South Kingstown Eunice Foster and Phebe Tillinghast, from Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anne E. Chace whose names being called, they are all present except one.

The time having arrived for which the Clerk and assistant Clerk were appointed, this meeting is united in the re-appointment of Phebe Foster for Clerk and Mary Buffinton 2d for assistant, for the ensuing year.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered which together with the accounts have been read at this time.

This meeting unites with South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in approving the gift and public appearances in the ministry of Phebe Foster, leaving the conviction of her Friends therein.

This meeting concludes purposing to meet again in the fifth month at East Greenwich if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at East Greenwich 3rd of 5th Mo. 1849

Received accounts from all our Monthly Meetings and the representatives named therein are, from Rhode Island Catharine H Boyd and Martha S Gould, from Swansey Isabel Chace Mary Buffington Patience Chace and Ruth Wood, from Southkingston Ruth A Foster Eunice Foster and Mary F Collins from Providence Mary E Kenyon and Lepha Chace whose names being called are all present.

We have received answers to the Queries from all our Monthly Meetings which with the accounts have been read at this time from which a summary has been compiled descriptive of our present state, which together with a copy of this minute we forward to the Yearly Meeting by Mary Buffington, Phebe Foster, Patience Chace, Anna E Chace, Lydia Wilbur, Catharine H Boyd Mary Buffington second, Mary E Kenyon, Isabel Chace, and Martha S Gould whome we appoint our representatives

We conclude purposing to meet again in the 8th Mo at Newport if permitted

Phebe Foster Clerk

Summary

1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended, excepting a few instances in one monthly Meeting, where on account of indisposition and inclemency of weather they were unattended by Women. They are on first days generally attended by most Friends. Midweek Meetings and some for discipline, not so well attended; the house mostly observed and Friends generally preserved from sleeping, and of all other unbecoming behaviour while assembled Clear

2nd. Love and unity appear to be maintained amongst Friends, detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans. 3rd. We believe Friends are careful to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, to restrain them from reading romances books and from vain & unprofitable conversation, and are generally good examples therein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th. Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors, the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and to keep in moderation as enjoined!

Ans 5th. The circumstances of the poor and such as are likely to need assistance are inspected and relief afforded, their children from parents of learning & for business — more placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6th. Parents and heads of families are careful to observe the requisitions of this query.

Ans 7th. No breach of this query has been reported.

Ans 8th. Clear as far as appears

Ans 9th. Marriage certificates duly recorded, births and deaths mostly some omissions without certificates made notice.

Ans. 10th. Care continues to rest on the minds of Friends to deal with offenders as required by our Discipline, and to pass judgment accordingly.

At a Yearly and Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Newport 2nd of 8th Mo. 1849

By accounts received from our different Monthly Meetings the representatives are, for Rhode Island Catharine Mitchell, and Lydia Mitchell; from Swansey Mary Buffington, Lydia P. Chace and Asenith Buffington, from South Kingston Lydia Wilbur, and Phebe Foster, from Providence Annie E. Chace and Sarah A. Keazer whose names being called are all present except two for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the three queries usually answered, which with the accounts have been read at this time.

Mary Buffington on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the yearly Meeting reports they all attended.

We had at this time the company of our esteemed friend Joseph Tripp with a copy of a minute from Hudson Monthly Meeting held 5th. Mo. 9th. 1849 expressive of their unity with him as a Minister, and also with his religious prof. His company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings Minutes have been received and acceptably read at this time, and the Clerk is directed to furnish a copy of the same to each of the Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting concludes proposing to meet again in the eleventh Month at Fall River if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

Extracts from the minutes of our Yearly Meeting of women Friends for New England, held in Rhode Island by adjournment from the 10th of the 6th Mo. to the 15th of

the Same melancholy 1847.

During the several sittings of this Yearly Meeting our minds have been introduced into a lively exercise for the advancement of the Redeemers kingdom in ourselves — and the necessity of an increased submission to the humbling power of the Cross of Christ, and a greater faithfulness to the inward manifestation of Christs Light and Grace in us, by which we may be favored to grow up in an undivided growth and establishment in the Truth and receive a right qualification to promote the cause of Righteousness in the earth.

We have been feelingly reminded that it was the ever existing truth in Holy, for which our worthy predecessors patiently endured long and great sufferings and that the blessings and testimonies which we profess, and are openly called upon to bear, have been transmitted unto us through them, in all their purity and openness. But it is only as we are led by the same moving Spirit and strength and by that divine Power which sustained them under all their afflictions and gave them the victory that we can be enabled to maintain the same Principles with undiminished brightness and unsullied purity; and as we are livingly engaged to follow them as they followed Christ, altho' we may be tried as in the furnace of affliction, yet the humble and dependant Children in the meekness, wisdom and patience will be favored to maintain the walk, and experience the fulfilment of the gracious promise "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee;" and by continuing steadfast in that faith which giveth the victory and overcometh the world; they will be brought forth as gold that has been tried in the fire. If any have in their eyes been enamoured to see the expensive dressings of this, but after through inadvertence to the light of Christ, have not fully submitted to the operation of that power which cleanseth from defilements and changeth the corrupt propensities and fallen nature of the heart of man, have been encouraged to take up the cross upon them and learn of Christ who was meek and lowly of heart, that so they may find rest to their souls — As this is our continued engagement we shall be kindly affectionate

one towards another according to the Apostolic injunction – in honor preferring one another and so fulfill the law of Christ – instead of indulging in feelings at variance with that law, and calculated to speak slightly one of another, we should witness the blessed effects of it, in dwelling in life from the love of sin and death, and receiving righteousness and purity of heart. Then indeed shall we become one another's helpers and join in the Lord – a peculiar people zealous of good works and shew forth the praise of Him who hath called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Martha A Gould Clerk
to the meeting this year.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo 1st. 1849

We have received accounts from each of the different Monthly Meetings and the representatives named therein are from Rhode Island Nuimah Hall. Katherine Mitchel and Catharine H. Boyd, from Swansea Isabel K. Shearman, Mary Wilbur, and Esther Shearman, from South Kingston, Eunice Foster and Lydia Nelson, from Providence Mary E Kempton and Anna E. Wilbur, whose names being called we all present, except two for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the first second and tenth Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time.

This meeting concludes postponing to meet again in the second month at North Providence if permitted.

Wilbur Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at North Providence 2nd. Mo. 7th. 1850

Accounts being received from each of the Monthly Meetings the representatives named therein are, from Rhode Island

Kathrine H. Boyd, from Swansea, Isabel B. Shearman, Ann Wilbur and Mary Bellington, from South Kingston, Elizabeth Hoxie and Lydia Wilbur, from Providence, Lydia Wood and Anna C. Thurber whose names being called are all present except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons have been assigned.

We have received answers from the first second and tenth Queries from all our Monthly Meetings which with the accounts have been read at this time.

We have had the company at this Meeting of our beloved friend Nathan Page with a copy of a minute from Salem Monthly Meeting dated 8th mo 11th 1849, whose company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

This Meeting concludes postponing to meet again in the fifth mo. at East Greenwich if permitted

Phebe Foster Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at East Greenwich 5. mo 2d 1850

Accounts being received from the different Monthly Meetings the representatives named therein are from Rhode Island, Katharine H. Boyd, Catharine Mitchell and Martha H. Gould, from Swansea, Nancy B. Brightman, Mary Brightman 2nd and Isabel B. Shearman, from South Kingston, Emmie Peckham and Susan T. Hoxie, from Providence, Mary E. Mason and Sarah L. Slocum, the names being called are present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason has been assigned.

The Clerk not being present Isabel B. Shearman is appointed to act for the day.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the Queries which, with the accounts, have been

read at this time — from which Sum of Number was compiled descriptive of our present State, which together with a copy of this minute, we forward to the Yearly Meeting, by Lydia Wilbur, Isabel B. Sherman and, Ruth Kenyon, Catherine Mitchell, Mary Buffington 2nd, Anna E Bruce, Eliza Greene, Mary E Kenyon & Catherine H Boyd whom we appoint Representatives.

A Minute was read informed this Meeting that they were about to prepare a returning Minute for our Friend Nathan Page, expressive of their unity with his compassing and Gospel labors;
and the Clerk is directed to sign the same on behalf of this Meeting

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the 10th Mo. at Newport if permitted

Isabel B Sherman Clerk pro tem

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo. 14th 1858

Accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings being present the Representatives named therein are, from Rhode Island Catherine Mitchell and Mary Gould, from Swansey, Mary Buffington 2nd, Asenath Buffington and Mary Bruce, from South Kingstown Emmet Foster and Rhoda Foster, from Providence Anna E Bruce and Sarah H Kenyon whose names being called are all present except two.

The time having expired for which the Clerk and Assistant were appointed, this Meeting is united in the appointment of Phebe Ann Mitchell Clerk, and she is united in the appointment of Mary Buffington 2nd Assistant Clerk for the ensuing year, to whom all Epistles are addressed in this Meeting.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered which with the accounts have been read at this time.

Dan. Buffington & wife on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting reported they all attended agreable to appointment.

This Meeting concludes proporting to meet again in the eleventh Month at Fall River if permitted.

Abbe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River 7th of 11th mo 1838

We have received accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings, the representatives named therein are, for Rhode Island Hannah Hall and Catharine Mc Lloyd, from Swansey Rachel B. Wheaton Esther A. Wheaton Elizabeth Bruce, from South Kingston Eunice Foster, Abbe Foster and Elizabeth Rice from Providence, Mary E. Thompson and Susan P. Thompson whose names being called are all present except one

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received, to the first, second, and fourth Queries which on the accounts have been read at this time.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the second month at South Kingston if permitted.

Abbe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at North Providence 6th of 2nd mo 1851

Accounts being present from the different Monthly Meetings, the representatives named thereon are from Rhode Island Lydia Mitchell & Martha Gifford, from Swansey Sylvania Hazard Rebecca Buffington, Ruth Wood and Mary B. Buffington, from South Kingston Lydia Hiber and Susan C Hazard from Providence Hannah A Thayer and Anne E Chace, whose names being called are all present except one.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received minutes & Queries which answered at this time, which with the accounts have been read to satisfaction.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the 3rd mo at E. Greenwich.

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at E. Greenwich 3d mo 1st 1851

By accounts presented at our Monthly Meetings the representatives are from Rhode Island Ruth Wood Mitchell Catherine A Hazard and Hannah Hall, from Swansey Mary Buffington Patience Chace and Mary Buffington 2d, from South Kingston Eunice Hazard Judith Pelham, from Providence Ruth Thayer Esther & Thayer whose names being called are all present.

We have received at this time minutes to the Queries from all our Monthly Meetings which a summary has been selected which we think descriptive of our present state, which we forward to our Yearly Meeting by our Friends Rebecca Buffington, Lydia Hiber, Anne E Chace, Ruth Wood

Mary E Hewgan Eunice Foster Hannah Hall and Katherine Mitchell - whom we appoint our representatives.

Our esteemed Friend Mary Mercy is in attendance with us at this time, with a copy of a minute from Nantucket Monthly Meeting expressive of their unity with her in a concern which has existed in her mind, to visit all the families, and Meetings, in course within the limit of our Yearly Meeting — Her company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Also a minute for our Friends Benjamin V. Rachel Gardner from the same Mo. Meeting, expressive of their unity with them in their prospect of accompanying our Friend Mary Mercy in her religious visit.

The business being gone through with we concluded to meet again this 6th day, at 3 o'clock if permitted

Thos Wilbur Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Portsmouth 6th mo 1851

Accounts have been received from all the Monthly Meetings therein named, are, from Rhode Island, Mary Lawton and Hannah Hall, from Swansey Mary Buffington, from Wilbur & Mary Buffington 2nd. from South Kingston Elisa A Shepard & Thos Peirce, from Providence Mary E Kinyon & Friend E Thane, whose names being called are all present.

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one only was prevented by indisposition

From each of the Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the three Queries usually answered which with the accounts have been read at this time.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the eleventh Mo. at Fall River if permitted.

Signed [illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River the 11th Mo. 1857

The accounts being present from the different Monthly Meetings [illegible] were read & from Rhode Island Lydia Hazard, Lucretia Shaw, and Edith Almy. From Smithfield Ann Eliza Whipple, Isabella Shaw, and Lydia Ann Smith. From North Kingston Lydia Wilbor & Eunice Foster, from Providence Alice Wheeler and Mary E. Congdon whose names being called we all present except one.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the first second and tenth Queries which with the accounts have been received, read at this time to satisfaction.

This Meeting concludes to meet again at North Providence in the second month if permitted.

Signed Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at North Providence 9th of 2nd mo. 1858

From accounts received the representatives are from Rhode Island Catharine A Boyd, Hannah Hall and

Lydia Hiatt, from Swansea, Sarah B. Buffington and Ann Wilbur from South Kingston, Susan C. Hazard, Mary, from Providence, Mary E. Kenyon, Patience Foster, whose names being called are all present - except three.

From each of the Monthly Meetings we have received satisfactory answers to the Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time.

Our esteemed friend John Wilbur opened in this meeting a prospect which for a considerable time rested upon his mind, that it was required of him to pay a religious visit, to some parts of Rhode Island and from this meeting after taking into deliberate consideration came to unite their mind with his concern and leave him at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth may open the way and the clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared for him by men friends.

This Meeting concludes proposing to meet again if permitted at East Greenwich 6th of 8th mo. 1852

Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held East Greenwich 6th of 8th mo. 1852.

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings the following are from Rhode Island Catharine H. Hoyle, Hannah Hall, from Swansea Mary Buffington Edith B. Almy, Mary Chace & Ruth Wood, from South Kingston Elizabeth Remy, and Eliza G. Albro, from from Providence Mary E Kenyon, whose names being called are all present.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the Queries, and they with the accounts have

been read at this time and a summary compiled which we think nearly describes our present state; we forward [illegible] to the [illegible] Yearly Meeting by Mary Buffington, Ruth Hood, [illegible] Taylor, [illegible] Hood, Ruth [illegible], Mary A. [illegible], Elizabeth Penny, Hannah Bailey & Lydia Huber whom we appoint our representatives.

Our friend Lydia Huber informed this meeting that to [illegible] accomplished his prepared visit in the [illegible] to his satisfaction and peace of his own mind.

This Meeting concludes proposing to meet again in the 8th. Month at the usual time and place if permitted,

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Signed,

Compl. And our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended by the greater part of [illegible] Friends [illegible]. The hour is mostly observed — Friends are generally presumed [illegible] of others unbecoming behaviour clear.

Ans. 2nd. Love and unity are generally maintained and detraction guarded against — when differences arise endeavors are used to end them.

Ans. 3rd. Friends endeavor to bring up those under their direction in plainness as guarded — & to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt conversation, and [illegible] example their themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th. No breach of this query has come to our knowledge.

Ans. 5th. The circumstances of the parties are inquired into and their necessities relieved. Children [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

From all our Monthly Meetings Answers have been received to the three Queries usually answered yearly to join with the Queries, have been read at this time.

One Representative appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting to attend the Yearly Meeting just held has attended, engaged in, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

An Epistle issued by our late Yearly Meeting addressed to our subordinate Meetings and individual members, has been received & read at this time.

Some new friends have received the extracts from the Minutes of our late Yearly Meeting which has been read at this time, and is satisfactory to this Meeting.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the 11th. Mo. at 9 o'clock A.M. if permitted.

Martha H. Gould
Clerk for the day

Of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th. Mo. 4th. 1852

By reports from the several Monthly Meetings the representatives are from Providence Lydia Mitchell, Catherine H. Borden and Hannah Mott, from Portsmouth Rachel Chace, Ruth Peckham Mary Ann Sisson and Joanna Tripp; from South Kingston Ruth Foster Ruth Potter & Charity Hoxie, from Providence Mary E. Mott and Ann Tripp, whose names being called it appears the place is vacant and for whose absence a satisfactory reason has been assigned.

Our clerk being absent Isabel B. Sheaman and Anna G. Fisk are appointed for the day.

From all our Monthly Meetings reports have been received to the three Queries usually answered at this time which together with the accounts have been read in this Meeting.

This meeting concludes to meet again in the 2nd. mo. at North Providence if permitted.

Isabel B. Sheaman
Clk. for the day

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 3rd. of 2nd. mo. 1853.

The accounts of the several representatives are from Rhode Island Catherine A. Boyd & Lydia Ann Gould from Swansey Mary Brightman Mary Hathaway & Ruth Hood, from South Kingston Phebe Foster & Eliza G. Sheffield. from Providence Anna E. Thaee and Mary E. Kenyon whose names being called are all present except two

The time having arrived for which the clerk & assistant appointed, this Meeting unites in the appointment of Phebe Foster for clerk and Ann Hilbert assistant for the year ensuing & until others appointed in their places.

From all our Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the first second and sixth Queries which with the accounts have been read at this time.

One concerned friend from Hilbre attended this Meeting a portion of which for a considerable length of time accompanied his mind in a precious sense of the love of the gospel and to abound in Christian virtues among which love is one part

of the state of New York and also, and also of any should join for it in some part of this Quarterly Meeting which claiming the solid attention of this meeting was united with and the clerk is directed to send a copy of the minute prepared as our friends.

This meeting concluded to sit to meet again in the 8th mo. next at E. Greenwich if permitted.

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at E. Greenwich 8th of 5th mo. 1850.

The account received the representatives from Rhode Island Eathum A Bond and Lydia Mitchell from Hannah Anne Wilbur, Mary Bissington, Ruth Wood and Anne E. Thackara Thomas Kenyon whose names being called in all present except three.

Accounts have been received from each of the Monthly Meetings with answers to the queries which with the accounts have been read and a summary compiled we think mostly descriptive of our present state is held together with a copy of this minute are forwarded to the Yearly Meeting by Ruth Wood, Hannah Hall, Phebe Tucker Lydia Mitchell, Anna E. Thackara, Asenith Bissington, Annie Thomas and Mary E. Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives.

Our beloved friend John Wilbur at this time viewed the minute granted him in the second month, liberating him to pay a religious visit to Friends settled in some part of New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey with information that that the service has been accomplished to the peace of and satisfaction of

his own mind.

Our beloved friend Peter Willets, Jr. Friend, in this Meeting a prospect of visiting in the love of the Gospel Friends & others in some part of Great Britain and Ireland as expressed in the certificate of Falmouth Monthly Meeting, dated 15th of 4th. Mo. last which was produced and read; after a time of serious and deliberate consideration, way was sympathy and full unity with him in this important engagement was felt and expressed, and he is kept at liberty and encouraged to proceed therein as truth may open the way: and the Clerk is directed to sign a certificate prepared for him by our friends.

This Meeting concludes to meet again at Newport on Rhode Island in the eighth month next if permitted.

Peter Foster Clerk

Summary.

Queries 1st. All our Meetings for discipline worship & discipline have been attended although deficiencies appear in some in the practice of this important duty, the poor raised funds are mostly reserved from slipping, & other unbecoming behaviour clearly discountenanced.

Qs. 2nd. Love and unity are maintained among Friends & detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

Qs. 3rd. Friends appear careful to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech behaviour & apparel & restrain them from reading pernicious books and give exempt consideration, and endeavour to be examples themselves. Children are frequently read in Friends families.

Qs. 4th. Elders are for appearance

5th. The circumstances of the poor and such as appear likely to need a visitation are inquired into and their necessities relieved, children freely partake of learning, and placed from among Friends.

6th. Parents and heads of families with the young & unmarried, are mostly careful that all proceeding with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

7th. Care is taken regard the different parts of this duty

8th. The elders frequently meet to inspect their affairs, and settle their accounts, and are punctual to their promises & just in the payments of their debts and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th. Not quite clear as regards removal certificates

10th. A concern is felt to deal with offenders in the spirit and manner required by our discipline.

Of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Newport 4th. of 8th. mo. 1853.

It appears from accounts received the representatives are, from Rhode Island Monthly to Portsmouth, Mary Gould, from Swansey Monthly, Mary Darlington Lad, and Mary Chace, from Dartmouth Monthly Phebe Tallman & Temperance Kirby, from Providence Mary E. Kenyon & Alice Thayer, where no one being called forward presents.

Ruth Wood, in which the representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, report they all attended.

From each of the Monthly Meetings we have received answers to the Queries usually answered which with the accounts have been read at this time.

This Meeting concludes purporting to meet again in the Eleventh Month at Fall River if permitted.

Rhode Foster Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River 2nd. of 11th mo. 1853

The accounts received the representatives are, from Rhode Island, Ruth Gifford, Lydia Mitchel and Martha M. Foulke from Swansey Isabel Chace, Isabel S. Hearman and Mary Chace, from South Kingston Emmeline Foster & Ann Peace, from Providence Anna E. Chace & Mary H. Congdon, whose names being called are all present except three, one of which rendered a satisfactory reason for her absence.

Each of the Monthly Meetings have furnished this Meeting with the Queries usually answered at this time which with the accounts have been read to satisfaction.

This Meeting concludes purporting to meet again in the 2nd Mo. at Providence if Permitted.

[illegible] Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Fall River 3rd of 9th Mo. 1853.

The accounts respecting the representatives from Rhode Island Catherine H. Boyd, Lydia Mitchell and Martha H. Gould, from Swansey Isabel Chace Rachel Sherman & Mary Chace, from South Kingston Eunice Hoxie Martha and Abby Tew, from Providence Anna E. Chace and Mary E. Kenyon whose names being called are all present except three one of whom rendered a satisfactory reason for her absence.

Each of the Monthly Meetings have furnished this Meeting with answers to the Queries usually answered at this time which with the accounts have been read to satisfaction.

This Meeting concludes proposing to meet again in the Second Month at North Providence

Rachel Hoxie Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Providence 2nd of 2nd Mo. 1854.

The accounts being present the representatives are from Rhode Island Lydia Ann Gould & Catherine Mitchel, from Swansey Rachel B. Sherman, Assenith Buffinton and Ruth Wood, from South Kingston Eunice Hoxie, Mary Collins, from Providence Sepha Chace & Alice Chace whose names being called are all present two, for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

Answers to the Queries usually answered at this time have been furnished from each of the Monthly Meetings which the accounts have been read to satisfaction.

We have had the company, at this time, of our esteemed friend, Chace Hamilton with a copy of a minute from Smithfield Monthly Meeting dated 24th of 11th. Mo. 1853. expressive of their unity with him as a Minister, and also their unity with his prospect — the Minute was also endorsed by Quarterly Meeting expressing their unity. His company and Gospel labors among us were very acceptable to us, and the clerk is directed to sign a minute prepared by our Friends.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in the fifth Month next at East Greenwich if permitted.

Phebe Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo. 4th 1854.

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives thereto named, are found to have been in their respective stations, viz. Lydia Mitchell from Portsmouth, Ann Wilbur, Ruth Rodman, Smith Appleton from Smithfield, Mary Greene, Ruth Hoxsie, Phebe Foster from Providence Anna E. Chace and Sarah S. Kenyon whose names being called were all present except Anna. The time having arrived for which Phebe Foster was appointed to act as clerk to this meeting, she informed Anna E. Chace that she was appointed to act in her stead, & Anna Wilbur for assistant with which this meeting unites. They were continued to their services for the ensuing year.

The queries with answers to each from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time from which a summary has been compiled as a description of the present state of the meeting, — which we forward to the yearly Meeting with this account by our representatives, Mary Greene, Ruth Rodman

Hannah E. Kenyon, Eunice Foster, Lydia Mitchell
Asenath Hazard, Catherine K. Bonner, Jemima Perry.

Our esteemed friend John Wilbur also at this time a certificate granted him by South Kingston Monthly and Quarterly Meetings, and endorsed at this meeting, setting forth his gospel labours in England, Scotland and Ireland, in having accomplished said visit to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind as feelingly expressed by him, — He also presented Testimonials of unity and sympathy with him, signed by a number of Friends residing at Leeds - England, expressing their satisfaction in his visit, with fervent desires for his preservation and safe return, — also a communication from Lydia A. Barclay to his family and friends, — Signed by her and others in unity with him.

This Meeting Concludes purposing to meet again at Newport in the 8th Month next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace - Clerk.

Summary.

Ans. 1st.

All our meetings for religious worship & discipline have been kept up - except two - which owing to inclemency of the weather and indisposition in several families, were not attended by Women Friends. The hour nearly observed none give way to sleep or other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

Ans. 2nd.

Love and unity are maintained amongst us, detraction watched against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans. 3rd. Friends endeavour to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, and to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, also to discourage vain sports and pastimes.

The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th.

The several parts of this query appear to be

(5th.) The circumstances of the Poor and such as appear likely to need assistance from the Meeting to their children, every part to be observed, may be known from among Friends.

(6th.) Friends are cautious respecting marriages that all proceedings are conformable to our discipline.

(7th.) Friends are careful to maintain a faithful testimony against the payment of priests wages, except in a few instances of attending meetings when there is a hireling Ministry, - for which some care has been taken, - clear as to the remaining part of this query.

(8th.)

Friends endeavour to keep within the limits of this query.

(9th.) Marriage Certificates recorded, births, deaths & burials mostly, but instances of neglect with regard

Ans. 10th.

Friends endeavour to deal with offenders, as just in the spirit of Truth and Love, and to bear testimony in the authority of Truth against

to our discipline.

The Rhode Island yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo. 3rd 1854.

By accounts from the Monthly Meetings belonging thereto, the representatives named therein are from Rhode Island Portsmouth Middletown Sarah A. Lawton and Catharine R. Lawton, Newport Ann B. Coggeshall Mary B. Coggeshall & Ruth S. Peckham Westerly Phebe Foster and Elizabeth Hoxsie Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th with the accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings have been satisfactorily read at this time.

Information has been given that the Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance except Two being absent a part of the time for which a satisfactory excuse has been rendered.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes have been read at this time also an Epistle from Newport Yearly Meeting of Women Friends - both of which we trust have been edifying and comforting to many minds.

Our esteemed friend Thomas B. Gould Jun. laying before this meeting a concern which has weightily claimed his attention for some years past to visit some parts of New York yearly Meeting Philadelphia, Baltimore and Ohio yearly Meetings and that he has now felt his way clear to accomplish said visit, - this Monthly Meeting have granted him a certificate with which this Meeting Cordially unites and the Clerk is directed to sign an Endorsement prepared by our Friends.

This Meeting concludes to meet again in this place 4th mo. next at 2 o'clock P.M. at the usual time and place of publick worship.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island [illegible] Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo. 2nd 1854.

By accounts from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives herein named are from Rhode Island Martha C. Gould & Catherine Mott Providence Sarah Chace Susan B. Anthony & Ruth Gregory South Kingston Phebe Foster and Eunice Foster and Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from each of our monthly meetings have been satisfactorily read at this time.

This Meeting concludes for proving to meet again in 2nd Mo. Next at North Providence.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at No. 4th Providence 2nd Mo. 1st 1855.

By accounts from the Monthly Meetings belonging the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Lydia Mitchell & Martha C. Gould, Swansey Ann Wilbur Asenath Buffington & Anna R. Fiske South Kingston Eliza G. Ruffin & Ruth H. Foster and Providence Pauline Fostance Ruth Kenyon who being duly met proceeded to business.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from each of our Monthly Meetings as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time. Our Esteemed Friend Nathan Page attended this Meeting with a Copy of a Minute from Salem Monthly Meeting expressing his Concern to attend Yearly Meeting and of appointing some meetings within its limits & to visit a few Meetings among Friends and others within the limits of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting. His Concern has been duly accepted by us at this time.

This Meeting Concludes for proving to meet again in 5th mo. next at East Greenwich if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo. 3rd. 1855.

By accounts from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives named being called are—from Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyce and Lydia Mitchell Swanzey Lydia P. Chace Hannah K. Fiske. Portsmouth Thomas & Ruth Rose. South Kingston Elizabeth Perry and Eunice Foster Providence Alice Chace & Anna E. Chace who being called are all present except one.

The time having expired for which the clerk and assistants were appointed to serve the meeting Anna E. Chace is proposed for reappointment to the service of Clerk and Ann Perry for assistant with which this meeting unites.

The Queries succeeded by answers to each have been read and approved by this meeting, delivering them to the representatives of our present state of the Society. The Queries to you by Elizabeth Perry Catherine K. Boyce Ruth Wood Mary E. Kenyon Hannah Hall Anna E. Chace Isabella B. Thomas and Eunice Foster whom we appoint our representatives.

This meeting concludes by proposing to meet again at Newport in 8th mo next at the usual time & place.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

Summary.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo. 2nd. 1855.

By accounts from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto,—the representatives thereto named are, from

Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyce & Mary Gould Swanzey Anna Chace Ann Wilbur & Hannah Buffington South Kingston Judith T. Peckham and Phebe Weldon Providence Sarah D. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace who being called are present except two.

We have been informed that the friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, were all in attendance except two who were prevented by indisposition.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th, as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

A Certificate in behalf of Chace Purinton from Starksborough Monthly Meeting endorsed by Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting has been read at this time, also one in behalf of Ruth H. Purinton his wife from the same Monthly Meeting, - both of whom have been acceptably with us - and the Clerk is directed to sign a copy of a minute prepared by our friends.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes also an Epistle from Newyork Yearly Meeting held at Poplar Ridge - have been read at this time, both of which were edifying & comforting to many minds the clerk is directed to transmit copies of such to our several Monthly Meetings.

Our friends presented Extracts of their Yearly Meetings Minutes which have been satisfactorily read in this meeting.

Our Esteemed friend Thomas B. Gould having accomplished his prospect of visiting Ohio Yearly Meeting and several Meetings within the limits of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Newyork Yearly Meeting presented at this time a returning Minute from Newyork Yearly Meeting, expressive of their unity with his ministry as also his religious engagements within the limits of that Meeting, - he having accomplished the same to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind.

This Meeting concludes proposing to meet again in 11th. Mo. next at Fall River if permitted.

Anna E. Chace, Clerk

24 - Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th mo 18th 1855.

By the accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — the representatives therein named are, from Rhode Island, Martha S. Gould and Catherine Mitchell Swansey — Isabella B. Sherman Edith G. Almy & Mary Chace (South Kingston) Phebe Foster Ruth A. Foster & Judith F. Peckham Providence — Mary C. Kenyon and Alice Chace, — Who being called are present except four, one of whom rendered a satisfactory reason for her absence.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th, as descriptive of our present State, have been read at this time.

Our Friends presented a copy of a minute from Fenisborough Quarterly Meeting on behalf of Thomas B. Gould, — who attended their Quarterly Meeting and most of the Meetings within its limits, certifying his company was acceptable, his doctrine sound and edifying.

They also presented a copy of a minute in behalf of Chace Purinton — which has been read and approved by this Meeting & directed to be signed by the Clerk.

This Meeting directed the Clerk to furnish Ruth C. Purinton with a copy of a minute she having accompanied her husband in his religious engagement with us, certifying that her company in that service was acceptable to us.

This Meeting adjourned purposing to meet again in 2nd mo. next at North Providence & committed.

Anna C. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo. 7th 1856.

By accounts received from each of the monthly meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named, are from Rhode Island Lydia Mitchell Catherine K. Boyce & Hannah Hall.
Swanzey Elizabeth Lincoln Nancy B. Buffinton & Joanna Tripp
South Kingston Susan C. Bay & Eliza G. Sheffield.
Providence Ruth Kenyon & Sarah S. Kenyon.
who being called are present except-ing one of whom rendered a satisfactory reason for her absence.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 3rd as descriptive of our present State from each of our monthly meetings have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at East Greenwich in 5th mo. next if permitted.
Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo. 1st 1856.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named — are from —
Rhode Island) Catherine Mitchell & Catherine K. Boyce
Swanzey) Anna E. Fiske Nancy B. Buffinton & Ruth Wood
South Kingston Eunice Foster and Mary Greene
Providence Mary E. Kenyon & Anna E. Chace,
who being called are all present except-one who was prevented by indisposition. The time having expired for which Anna E. Chace was appointed Clerk & Ann Peckham assistant this meeting concludes to reappoint them to that service for the ensuing year.

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this and a Summary compiled therefrom which with this

account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our representatives, — Ruth Wood, Eunice Foster, Elizabeth Hill Hannah Hall Lydia Mitchell Anna E. Chace. Mary Green and Ruth Kenyon.

Extracts from our last yearly Meeting's Minutes and an Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting held at Poplar Ridge have also been received & read in this Meeting — we trust, to our mutual encouragement and edification.

A Memorial from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting on behalf of our late friend Thomas B. Gould has been presented and read at this time for the concurrence of Women Friends with which this Meeting unites.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again in the 8th Mo. next at Newport — if permitted

Anna E Chace
Clerk

To. New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

We have received answers to the Queries from all our Monthly Meetings from which a Summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present state, which together with a Copy of this minute we forward by our representatives, — Ruth Wood Eunice Foster Elizabeth Hill Hannah Hall Lydia Mitchell Anna E. Chace Mary Green and Ruth Kenyon

Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings Minutes and an Epistle from New York Yearly Meeting held at Poplar Ridge have also been received & read in this Meeting we trust to our mutual encouragement and edification.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 1st 1856. Anna E. Chace Clerk

Summary.

Ans. 1st.

All our Meetings for Worship and Discipline have been attended except those which were prevented by severity of Weather and indisposition, Midweek Meetings and those for discipline not so fully attended, the hour nearly observed, mostly preserved from sleeping and other unbecoming behavior when assembled.

2nd. Love and unity appear to be maintained and detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd. Most Friends endeavour to bring up those under their direction in Plainness of Speech behaviour & apparel, and to restrain from reading pernicious books and from the Comon conversation of the world, also to be exemplary therein themselves.

The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

4th) Friends are careful to observe the several requisitions of this Query.

5th. The circumstances of the Poor are attended, children freely partake of learning, none Excluded from among Friends.

6th Friends generally careful in their respects, two cases of marrying out - both of which are under notice.

7th. Most Friends endeavour to be faithful in bearing testimony against the payment of Priests wages, Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

8th. Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, also to be punctual to their promises, and just in the payment of their debts, — and to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th. Marriage Certificates recorded, Births deaths and burials Monthly, two Removals without Certificates.

10th.

Care is taken to deal with offenders, we trust in the Spirit of Meekness and Wisdom and we endeavour to place judgment in the authority of Truth according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 5th Mo 7th 1856.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named are from ——

Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyd & Martha H. Gould
Swansey Anna Wilbur Asenath Burgunton & Elizabeth Hill
South Kingston Eunice Foster and Anne Perry.
Providence Sarah S. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace
who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting as representatives, — report they were all in attendance

A Certificate from Hector Monthly Meeting on behalf of Joseph Tripp a Member and Minister in unity with them — endorsed by Scipio Quarterly Meeting held at Hector has been read at this time, — his company and services have been acceptable to us.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes also Epistles from Baltimore & Newyork Yearly Meetings have been satisfactorily read at this time, and the Clerk is directed to furnish a copy of each to our several Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again in the 11th Mo next at Fall River if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo. 6th 1856.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are present ——

Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyd & Hannah Hall Swanzey Joanna Tripp. Mary B. Buffington & Ruth Wood South Kingston Eunice Foster. Phebe Foster & Eliza G. Sheffield Providence Sarah T. Kenyon once Mary E. Kenyon who being called are all present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from our several Monthly Meetings being descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

Our Friends presented a copy of a Minute on behalf of Joseph Tripp with which this Meeting unites and the Clerk is directed to sign it.

This Meeting adjourns — purposing to meet again in 2nd Mo. next in North Providence if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 5th 1857.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named are from

Rhode Island Lydia Mitchell and Hannah Hall,
Newport Nancy B. Buffington Anna R. Fisher & Ruth Wood
South Kingston Elizabeth Sheffield & Phebe Foster
Providence Ruth H. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace
who being called we all present except two.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from our several Monthly Meetings have been received and read as descriptive of our present state of Society.

Men Friends presented a Certificate from Salem monthly Meeting on behalf of our esteemed friend Nathan Page a Minister in unity with them — whose company & services have been acceptable to us at this time. The Clerk is directed to sign a copy of a minute prepared by men friends.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at East Greenwich on 5th mo next if permitted. Anna E. Chace Clerk

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 7th 1857.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Catherine Mitchell & Catherine S. Boyd Swansey Nancy B. Buffington Ruth Wood & Joanna Tripp South Kingston Phebe Foster Anna A. Foster & Elizabeth Sheffield Providence Ruth Kenyon and Anna E. Chace who being called are all present.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed to serve this meeting – the subject of appointment is deferred until another meeting and Martha S. Gould is proposed to assist the clerk at the present time with which the meeting unites.

The Queries have been read accompanied with answers to each from which a Summary has been compiled – as descriptive of our present state of Society – which with this account we forward by Phebe Foster Eunice Foster Catherine Mitchell Martha S. Gould Elizabeth Hall Joanna Tripp Sarah S. Kenyon and Anne E. Chace, whom we appoint to attend our next Yearly Meeting as representatives.

Extracts from our own Yearly Meetings minutes and Epistles from Baltimore and New York Yearly Meetings have been received and read in the Quarterly and Monthly meetings belonging to this quarter.

Memorials have been read at this time Concerning our late Esteemed Friends John and Lydia Wilbur also our beloved Friend Thomas Foster which have been satisfactory and edifying to us.

This Meeting adjourns Purposing to meet at Newport in the 8th Mo. next if permitted.

Anne E. Chace Clerk

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends, We have received answers to the Queries from all our Monthly Meetings, – from which a Summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present state of Society, – which together with a copy of this Minute we forward by our representatives, – Phebe Foster, Eunice Foster, Catherine Mitchell Martha S. Gould, Elizabeth Hall, Joanna Tripp, Sarah S. Kenyon and Anne E. Chace. —— Epistles from Baltimore & New York Yearly Meetings, – also extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes have been received & read in this, and transmitted to the subordinate Meetings

Memorials have been read at this time on behalf of our late Esteemed Friends John and Lydia Wilbur, — also one Concerning our beloved Friend Thomas Foster, which have been both Satisfactory and Edifying to us.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 7th 1857.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

Summary.

Ans. 1st.

All our Meetings for Religious Worship and discipline have been attended except two for Worship, three on first days and for discipline by most Friends, Midweek Meetings not so fully attended, the hour observed, Friends are generally preserved from sleeping — and other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

2nd. Love and unity mostly maintained, detraction generally guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd. — It appears Friends are mostly careful to bring up those under their care, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel — to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from corrupt conversation; — Yet deficiencies are in these respects apparent, — most Friends endeavour to be examplary in themselves — The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in their families.

4th.) Friends appear careful to avoid the use of Spirituous liquors, except for Medicine. The unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and to keep in moderation and temperance, on the account of births marriages, burials, and on other occasions.

5th. The circumstances of the poor are inspected and their necessities relieved, Children duly partake of learning, — We believe none placed from among Friends.

6th. — Parents and Heads of families, with the young and unmarried are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline

Ans. 7th.

Friends endeavour to be faithful in maintaining their testimonies against the payment of Priests wages, bearing arms, training or other Military Matters, — against being concerned in property taken in War, buying or vending goods suspected to be run, — and making false entries to evade the payment of duties.

8th.

Friends careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, — also to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, — and to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th.)

Marriage Certificates duly recorded, Births & Deaths mostly, — Not quite clear as to removal Certificates.

10th.)

Care has been taken to deal with offenders as queried after, — and judgment placed we believe in the authority of truth according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo. 6th. 1857.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — the representatives therein named — are, from Rhode Island Martha S. Gould and Lydia Mitchell Swanzey — Elizabeth Hill, Mary Chace, and Ruth Wood South Kingston — Eunice Foster and Phebe Wilbur. Providence, Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace, who being called are all present except one.

The subject of appointing Clerks has been deferred until our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting report they were all in attendance.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th, as descriptive of our present State of society. — Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings Minutes, also Epistles from Baltimore and New York Yearly Meetings have been acceptably read at this time.

Men Friends presented a Minute of request from East Greenwich Preparative Meeting — That the Monthly Meeting of Providence be held at East Greenwich, — in the 6th. 10th. and 11th Months and 3rd. 4th. and 5th. and at Providence the remaining Months of the Year, — Which has been united with by both Meetings.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Fall River in the 11th Mo. next if permitted

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo. 5th 1857.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Martha S. Gould & Rachel S. Nichols Swanzey Isabella B. Sherman, Mary Chace, & Anna R. Fiske South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ann Perry Providence Pauline Foster and Sarah S. Kenyon who being called are all present.

The subject of Clerks being brought before the Meeting Anna E. Chace has been proposed for Clerk and Ann Perry for Assistant, — with which this Meeting unites, and they accordingly appointed to that service for the ensuing year — Or until others are appointed to take their places.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th. as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again in 2nd Mo. next at North Providence if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd. Mo. 4th 1858.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Metings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named are from ——

Rhode Island Hannah Hazard & Rachel S. Nichols
Swanzey, Anna R. Fike, Lydia P. Chace, & Nancy B. Buffington
South Kingston Phebe Foster and Martha Foster
Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace

who being called are present except two.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society, — have been read at this time.

This Meting adjourns purposing to meet at East Greenwich on 5th Mo. 7th if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo. 6th 1858.

By the accounts from each of our Monthly Metings — the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyd, and Martha S. Gould
Swanzey — Ruth Wood, Anna R. Fike and Joanna Tripp
South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ann Perry
Providence Malina R. Foster and Mary E. Kenyon who being called are all present except one.

The Queries with answers to each from our different Monthly Metings have been read from which a Summary has been Compiled as descriptive of our present state of Society, — also extracts from our Yearly Metings Minutes and Epistles from Baltimore and Newyork Yearly Metings have been received and read in this and our Subordinate Metings, — which account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by Catherine Mitchell Catherine K. Boyd, Elizabeth Hill, Ruth Wood, Joanna Tripp, Phebe Foster, Eunice Foster Hannah S. Kenyon Ruth Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives.

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Mon Friends inform That they unite with South Kingston monthly Meting in the appointment of John Foster Senior to the Station of an Elder, having laid the subject before this Meting Women Friends concur therein.

This Meting adjourns purposing to meet again in the 8th mo next at Newport if permittee.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport.

Dear Friends

The Queries with Answers to each from our different Monthly Metings have been read from which a Summary has been Compiled as discription of our present State of Society, also Extracts from our Yearly Metings Minutes and Epistles from Baltimore and Newyork Yearly Metings have been received and read in this and our Subordinate Metings, which we Commit we forward to the Yearly Meting by Catherine Mitchell, Catherine K. Boyd, Elizabeth Hill, Ruth Wood, Joanna Tripp, Phebe Foster, Eunice Foster, Sarah S. Kenyon and Ruth Kenyon, whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meting held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 6th. 1858.

Summary. —

Ans. 1st. All our metings for religious Worship and discipline have been duly attended, Midweek Meetings and some for discipline not so generally as on first days, the hour nearly observed, Friends are preserved from sleeping, no other unbecoming behavior noticed when assembled.

2nd.

Love and unity mostly maintained, detraction guarded against, — no differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans. 3rd. Most Friends endeavour to bring up those under their Care in plainness of Speech behavior and apparel, also to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt Conversation, — and are generally exemplary therein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends Families.

4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of Spirituous liquors except for Medicine, — also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, — and to observe true moderation and temperance on other occasions.

5th)

The circumstances of the poor are attended to children duly partake of learning, — none placed from among Friends.

6th.

Parents and heads of families with the young and unmarried appear careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

7th.

We think Friends are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests wages, except in a few cases of attending meetings where there is a hireling ministry, — Clear as to the remaining parts of this query.

8th.

Friends are generally careful to inspect their affairs & settle their accounts, and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises, - and just in the payment of their debts and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th.

Marriage Certificates duly recorded, Births, Deaths, and Burials mostly, Not quite Clear as to removal Certificates.

10th.

Some Care has been taken to deal with Offenders as queried and judgment placed when it appeared necessary according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo. 5th 1858.

By the accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings — the representatives therein named are from

Rhode Island Hannah Hall, Martha S. Gould & Catharine K. Boyd
Swanzey Mary Chace Anna R. Fiske & Lydia P. Chace
South Kingston Eunice Foster and Phebe Foster
Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace
who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th have been received from our several Monthly Meetings — which being read represent our present state of society.

The Friends appointed in 5th Mo last to attend our Yearly Meeting as representatives report they were all in attendance.

Extracts from our Yearly Meeting's Minutes have been acceptably read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet in the 11th Mo next at Fall River if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 18th mo. 4th 1858.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings — the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Catharine K. Boyd & Rachel S. Nichols Swanzey Isabella B. Thurman Joanna Tripp & Ann Wilbur South Kingston Ruth A. Foster and Ann Perry Providence Meribah K. Foster and Anna E. Chace who being called are all present except one.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed to serve this Meeting - Friends unite in the reappointment of Anna E. Chace for Clerk and Ann Perry for Assistants to the Clerk service for the ensuing year.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this time.

Epistles from Baltimore and Newyork Yearly Meetings have been read at this time we trust to our mutual edification and the Clerk is directed to hand them down to our subordinate Meetings.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet in second month next at Providence if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo. 3rd 1859.

By the accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named are from Rhode Island Martha S. Gould & Rachel S. Nichols Swansey Elizabeth Lincoln Elizabeth Hill & Joanna Tripp South Kingston Phebe Foster and Eliza G. Sheffield Providence Paulina Foster & Anna E. Chace who being called are present except three one of whom sent a satisfactory reason for her absence.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time being descriptive of our present state of society.

Men Friends produced a Certificate from Salem monthly Meeting on behalf of our esteemed friend Nathan Page who is in attendance at this time, — his company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us, — and the clerk is directed to sign a copy of a ~~Minute~~ returning Minute prepared by Men Friends.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at East Greenwich in 5th. Mo next if permitted

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 5th 1859 —

By the Accounts from each of the Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named, - are from —

Rhode Island Catherine K. Boyd and Martha S. Gould
Swanzey Eliza Barney Anna R. Fiske & Arsenath Buffington
South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ann Perry
Providence Ruth Kenyon and Anna E. Chace,
who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to each from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time, - from which a Summary has been Compiled as descriptive of our present State of Society, which we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our friends, - Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Hannah Hall, Eliza Barney, Mary E. Kenyon, Ann Perry, Joanna Briggs, and Martha S. Gould whom we appoint our representatives.

Epistles have been received from Newyork and Baltimore Yearly Meetings, also Extracts from our own Yearly Meetings Minutes, - which have been acceptably read in this and our Subordinate Meetings.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Newport — in 6th mo. next if permitted —

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time, — from which a Summary has been compiled as descriptive of the present State of Society, which with this account we forward to the Meeting by Phebe Foster, Anna E. Thace, Hannah Hall, Eliza Barnes, Mary E. Kenyon, Ann Peary, Joanna Tripp & Martha S. Gould whom we appoint our representatives.

Epistles from Newyork and Baltimore, also Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes have been received and read in this and our Sub-ordinate Meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 6th 1859.

Summary.

Ans. 1st.

All our Meetings for Worship and discipline have been attended except two or three no women present, Midweek Meetings not so full attended, the hour nearly observed, mostly clear of sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

2nd.) Love and unity in a good degree maintained, detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd.) A care is manifest in the minds of most Friends to bring up those under their direction in the observance of plainness of speech, behaviour & apparel, also to restrain them from reading pernicious books since from the corrupt

Conversation of the world, and are generally examples herein themselves; We trust the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends Families.

4th.) Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for Medicine, the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and places of public resort, and to keep in true moderation and temperance on account of births, marriages, burials and other occasions.

5th.) The circumstances of the poor and such as appear likely to need assistance are attended to, no children left without partake of learning, none placed from among friends.

6th.) Parents and heads of families, with the young and unmarried, appear careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our disciplines.

7th.) Friends maintain a faithful testimony against the several requisitions of this Query, with the exception of a few cases among the younger members of society, who occasionally attend meetings of other denominations. Also one family who having so far departed from our principles as to attend regularly a place of Worship where a hireling Minister officiates, for which a good degree of Labour has been bestowed.

8th.) Friends appear careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts; To be punctual in their promises, and just in the payment of their debts, and to live within the bounds of their Circumstances.

(Ans. 9th)

Friends are concerned to have all their marriages, births, deaths, & burials duly recorded. No Friends removed from or come amongst us without certificates since our last account.

10th) Friends are concerned to deal with offenders as required by our discipline. — No instance of placing judgment has occurred since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo 4th 1859.

By the accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings, the representatives therein named are from

Rhode Island Rachel S. Nichols & Lydia Ann Gould
Swanzey Mary Buffinton Anna R. Fiske & Nancy B. Buffinton
South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ann Perry,
Providence Mialmer R. Foster and Jane C. Chace

who being called are all present.

We are informed that the Friends appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting as representatives were all in attendance except one.

The Queries with Answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society, have been received from our several Monthly Meetings and read at this time.

An Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends, also Extracts from our own Yearly Meetings Minutes have been acceptably read in this Meeting and the Clerk is directed to furnish copies to transmit to our subordinate Meetings. — This Meeting adjourns proposing to meet at Fall River in 4th Mo. next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 4th Mo. 3rd 1859.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings, the Representatives therein named are from

Rhode Island, Rachel S. Nichols and Lydia Mitchell.
Swansey, Isabella B. Sherman Joanna Tripp & Edith Almy
North Kingston, Phebe Foster and Eliza G. Sheffield.
Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Sarah S. Kenyon
who being called are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed to serve this Meeting, Martha S. Gould Sarah S. Kenyon, Phebe Foster Mary E. Kenyon and Mary Chace are appointed to prepare Names for that service at our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. and 10th. as descriptive of our present state of Society have been received from our several Monthly Meetings and read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet in 2nd Mo. next at Providence if permitted.

Hannah E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo. 2nd 1860.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named are From

Rhode Island Rachel T. Nichols & Martha W. Gould
Swanzey Nancy B. Buffington Anna E. Fiske & Ruth Wood
South Kingston Ruth A. Foster and Eliza G. Hazzard
Providence Pauline Foster and Mary F. Collins
who being called are present except two.

The Committee on Clerks not being ready to report at this time the subject is continued under the care of the same to report at our next Quarterly Meeting

The Queries with Answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th have been received from each of our monthly Meetings and read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns proposing to meet in 5th mo. next at East Greenwich if permitted.

Annie E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 3rd 1860.

By accounts received from each of our monthly meetings, the representatives therein named are from
Rhode Island Catharine K. Boyd & Lydia Mitchell
Swanzey Asenath Buffington Nancy B. Buffington & Abby E. Chace
South Kingston Ruth A. Foster and Phebe Foster,
Providence Ruth Kenyon and Sarah T. Kenyon
who being called are all present.

The Committee appointed to bring forward names for Clerks propose Annie E. Chace for Clerk & Rachel T. Nichols for Assistant with which this meeting unites.

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time and a Summary prepared to forward with this account to the Yearly Meeting by Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Martha P. Gould, Ruth Foster, Nancy B. Boyington, Rachel L. Nichols, Ruth Kenyon and Asenath Boyington whom we appoint our representatives.

By accounts from our several monthly meetings it appears the Extracts from our quarterly meetings minutes & an Epistle from Baltimore yearly Meeting of Women Friends have been received and acceptably read in each of the meetings.

This Meeting adjourns pro pos'n to meet at Newport in 8th Mo. next if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clerk

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held in Newport on Rhode Island,

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time, — from which a Summary has been compiled as discription of the present state of society, — which we forward with this account by our friends — Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Martha P. Gould, Ruth Foster, Nancy B. Boyington, Rachel L. Nichols Ruth Kenyon and Asenath Boyington, whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our Yearly Meeting's minutes and an Epistle from Baltimore yearly Meeting have been received and acceptably read in this and our subordinate meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo. 3rd 1860.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

Summary

Ans. 1st.) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except-one, by most of our members, midweek meetings not so fully attended, The hour observed, We believe friends endeavour to guard against Hasting, & Thumbecoming behaviour Clear when assembled.

Ans 2nd.) Love and Unity in a good degree maintained amongst us, and detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans. 3rd) We believe that a concern is felt by most friends that their Children and those under their Care be brought up Under in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, also to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt conversation, and are generally exemplary therein themselves.

We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in the families of most friends.

Ans. 4th Friends are careful to avoid the use of Spirituous liquors except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and endeavour to keep in true moderation on Accounts of births, marriages, burials, and other occasions.

Ans. 5th None amongst us who require assistance friendly Children fully partake of learning, none placed from among friends.

Ans. 6th Parents and Heads of families with the young and unmarried are generally careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline — yet a remissness in some is apparent.

Ans. 7th:

We believe that friends generally bear faithful testimony against the payment of Priests' wages, except in a few instances one Monthly Meeting reports the attendance of Meetings of other societies. Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

8th) Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, endeavour to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th. Friends not sufficiently careful as to records, not quite clear in regard to removal certificates.

10th Some care has been taken to deal with Offenders but we must in a spirit of meekness and wisdom, — and endeavour to place judgment in the authority of Truth according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 6th mo 2nd 1860.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings, — the Representatives therein named are from Rhode Island, Catharine Mitchell and Rachel S. Nichols Tiverton, Mary Chace Nancy B. Buffington & Anna R. Fish South Kingston, Phebe Foster and Phebe Wilbur — Providence Mary E. Kenyon and Anna E. Chace — the Time called were all present except one — for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

Narcissa B. Coffin presented to this Meeting a Copy of a minute from Nantucket Monthly Meeting expressing their unity with the prospect of visiting the Meetings within the limits of this Quarterly Meeting also of appointing some

Meetings among Friends and others out of our religious Society – She being a Minister in unity with them – Her Companion and Gospel labours have been acceptable to us, – but her services not being accomplished the subject of returning Minutes is referred to our next Quarterly Meeting.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th are descriptive of our present state of Society have been read at this time. We are informed the Friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting as representatives were all in attendance.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes have been accepted read at this time and the Clerk is directed to furnish copies for each of our Monthly Meetings.

Friends in Stonington Monthly Meeting informs that they have concluded to hold their Monthly Meetings as follows, – to be held at Westerly one in three months, – and that hereafter they be held at Westerly in the 1st. 4th. 7th and 10th months at Hopkinton in the 2nd 5th. 8th and 11th months and at South Kingston 3rd. 6th. 9th and 12th months, with which this Meeting unites.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Fall River in 8th month if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 4th mo 1st 1860.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives thereto named are Rhode Island — Catherine K. Boyd and Rachel S. Nichols Smithfield — Joanna Tubbs, Edith G. Hoag and Phebe B. Appleton South Kingston, Elizabeth Peckham and Ann Potter Providence — Ruth Kenyon and Paulina Foster who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th from each of our Monthly Meetings have been read at this time — a description of our present state of society: —

A copy of a minute on behalf of Rhoda B. Coggeshall extracted from the minutes of our last Quarterly Meeting having been approved in this and the men's meeting the Clerks are directed to sign and forward to — Nantucket Monthly Meeting.

The Clerk is directed to furnish copies of our Yearly Meeting's Minutes and the Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting to our subordinate Meetings.

Our Esteemed friend Rhoda Mott has been in attendance with us at this time, Her companion and gospel labours were [illegible] to us.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd Mo. next by [illegible]

Anne E. Chace
Clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo. 7th 1861.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named are from)
Rhode Island, Rachel S. Nichols & Lydia Mitchell
Smithfield, Nancy B. Buffington Amos R. Fisher Ann Wilbur
South Kingston, Ruth H. Foster & Anna A. Foster
Providence, Ruth Kenyon & Sarah L. Kenyon
who being called are present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th from each of our Monthly Meetings - being descriptive of our present state of society, have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at East Greenwich in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace - Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo. 2nd 1861.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named are from
Rhode Island, Catharine H. Boyd and Rachel S. Nichols
Smithfield, Nancy B. Buffington, Hannah Tapp & Anna R. Fisher
South Kingston, Ruth Foster and Judith T. Peckham
Providence, Ruth Kenyon and Anna E. Chace who being called are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed to serve this Meeting the appointment of Anna E. Chace for Clerk and Rachel S. Nichols for assistant having been proposed this Meeting finds them willing to accommodate & appointed to that service for the ensuing year or until others are appointed.

The Queries with answers to each from our several monthly Meetings as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time which with this

account we forward to the Yearly Meeting, from our Friends, Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Anna R. Fike, Mary Chace Hannah H. Rawson, Lydia Mitchell, Rachel H. Nichols and Judith K. Peckham whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last yearly Meeting's Minutes also an Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends have been received and acceptably read in this and our subordinate Meetings.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Newport in 8th Mo. next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

To New England yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends The Queries with answers to each from our several Monthly Meetings, as descriptive of our present State of Society, have been read at this time, which with this account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our Friends Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace Anna R. Fike, Mary Chace, Hannah H. Rawson, Lydia Mitchell, Rachel H. Nichols and Judith K. Peckham, whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last yearly Meeting's Minutes also an Epistle from Baltimore yearly Meeting of Women Friends have been received and acceptably read in this and our subordinate Meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth 5th Mo. 2nd 1861.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

Summary of ——

1st.

All our meetings for religious Worship and discipline have been attended — except a few prevented by indisposition and inclement weather, which appears a ready disposition in Friends in this important duty. The Youth made observed, Friends generally preserved from levity and their becoming behaviour when assembled.

2nd.)

Love and unity in a good degree maintained, We think Friends are careful to guard against detraction. No differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd.)

Some Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behaviour, and apparel, while others appear not concerned in these respects, We believe Friends are careful to discourage the reading of pernicious and corrupt conversation, and are generally exemplary in themselves.

We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

4th.) We believe Friends are careful to observe the several requisitions of this year.

5th.) A concern remains with Friends that the circumstances of the Poor and such as appear likely to need assistance, should be inspected and their necessities relieved. Children put to learning have been placed from among Friends.

6th.) Parents and Heads of Families with the young and unmarried are mostly careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline. Yet a remissness in some is apparent, in the instance of marrying out which is under notice.

Ans. 7th.)

We believe Friends do bear a faithful Testimony against the payment of Priests Wages except in a few cases of attending Meetings of other denominations. Clear as to the remaining part of this query.

Ans 8th. We know not but Friends are clear as regards the several parts of this query.

9th)

Marriage Certificates and recorded births, deaths, and burials mostly; Not quite clear as to removal Certificates.

10th)

Some care has been taken to deal with offenders in a Spirit of Meekness & Wisdom one instance of placing judgment since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th mo 15th 1861.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings — the Representatives therein named are from — Rhode Island, Catharine Mitchell and Martha S. Gould — Swanzey, Catharine Wilbur — Rachel Buffington & Asenath Buffington South Kingston, Ruth A. Foster and Elizabeth Perry Providence Ruth Kenyon and Anna E. Thrace who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. 8 & 10th. as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

The Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance. Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings minutes also one Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends — have been carefully read at this time, — and the Clerk is directed to furnish Copies of each to hand down to our subordinate Meetings. — This meeting adjourns to meet in the 11th Mo next at Fall River if permitted. (Anna E. Thrace Clk.

At Rhod Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 8th mo 7th 1861.

By accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named, are from — Rhode Island Rachel S. Nichols and Catherine B. Borden, Swansey, Edith A. Almy, Anna R. Fisk & Lydia P. Chace, South Kingston Elizabeth Congdon and Phebe Wilbur, and Providence Pauline Foster and Anna E. Chace who being called an all present except two — for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The Queries with Answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th, as described of our present state have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns our Yearly to meet at North Providence 2nd mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk,

At Rhod Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd month 6th 1862.

By accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named — are — from Rhode Island — Martha H. Gould and Lydia Ann Gould Swansey, Nancy B. Burgeston Anna R. Fiske & Abby L. Chace, South Kingston Anna A. Foster Phebe Wilbur & Ann Perry, Providence — Pauline Foster and Jane E. Chace who being called an present except three.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as described of our present state of society, from our several monthly Meetings have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at East Greenwich in 5th Month next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Month 1st 1862.

By accounts from each of our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein named are — from Rhode Island Rachel K. Nichols & Lydia Ann Gould. Swanzey Abby L. Chace Nancy B. Buffinton & Anna R. Tiffe. South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ruth A. Foster. Providence Ruth Kenyon and Mialma R. Foster who being called are all present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

The time having expired for the service of Clerks to this Meeting the reappointment of Anna E Chace for Clerk and Rachel K. Nichols for assistant having been proposed, the Meeting unite therein and they accordingly appointed to that service for the time of the ensuing year, or until others are appointed to take their places.

The Queries with answers to each being descriptive of our present State of Society have been read, — which with this account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our friends, Ruth Kenyon — Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Abby L. Chace, Nancy B. Buffinton, Rachel K. Nichols, Lydia Ann Gould and Eliza G. Sheffield. whom we appoint our representatives.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Newport in 8th month next if permitted.

Anna E Chace Clk.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each from our several Monthly Meetings, — being descriptive of our present State of Society, have been read at this time, which with this account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our friends, Ruth Kenyon, Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace,

Abm. L. Chace, Moses B. Brayton, Rachel S. Nichols
Lydia Ann Gould and Eliza J. Hazard whom we
appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last Yearly
Meetings minutes, also an Epistle from B. Meeting
Yearly Meeting of Women Friends were then received
and acceptably read in this and our Subordinate
Meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island
Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich
5th Month 1st. 1862.

Summary.

Ans. 1st

All our meetings for religious Worship & discipline
have been Mostly kept up - on account of inclement
weather and indisposition, - although there appears
to be a want of engagement in some in that important
duty, for which reason some care has been taken
The hour mostly observed, Friends are generally favored
from sleeping and other unbecoming behavior when
assembled.

Ans. 2nd) Love and unity in a good degree maintained, - We think most Friends are careful to guard
against dissention, and when any differences do
arise endeavours are used to end them.

Ans. 3rd.

Most Friends endeavour to bring up those under
their care in plainness of speech manner and apparel,
while others appear lax concerned in these respects.

We believe most feel a concern to discourage unprofitable
reading, and corrupt conversation, and are generally
exemplary therein themselves. - We trust the Holy
Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th)

We think Friends are careful to avoid the use of
spirituous liquors except for medicine, and also the
frequenting of taverns and places of public resort. &c. &c. to be
in the moderate temperance, on account of births marriages burials, & other occasions

Ans. 5th)

Care remains with Friends that the circumstances of the poor be inspected and their necessities relieved, children partake of learning, none placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6th.)

Parents and Heads of Families with the young and unmarried are mostly careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans. 7th)

We believe some Friends are concerned to bear a faithful testimony against the several requisitions of this query.

Friends endeavour to be faithful in maintaining their testimonies against the payment of Priests Wages, bearing arms, training or other Military matters, — against being concerned in property taken in War, — buying or vending goods suspected to be run, & not making false entries to evade the payment of duties.

Ans. 8th)

Friends careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, also to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans. 9th) Marriage Certificates duly recorded, births deaths and burials mostly, not quite clear as to removal Certificates.

Ans. 10th)

Care has been taken to deal with Offenders as queries often in the Spirit of meekness and wisdom, without partiality or unnecessary delay — as way opens for labour, and to place judgment according to discipline.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 9th month 7th 1862.

By accounts received from each of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives therein named are present. Rhode Island Catherine Mitchell & Catherine T. Peace. Providence Mary Chace, Nancy B. Tiffany & Abby E. Chace, South Kingston Phebe Foster and Martha Foster Providence, Anna E. Chace and Sarah T. Tompkins whose names being called are all present except two — for the absence of one a satisfactory reason has been given.

The clerk not being present Lydia Ann Gould is appointed to serve for the day.

The Queries succeeded by answers, To the 1st. 2nd and 10th describing the present State of society, which have come up from the several monthly Meetings, have been read at this time.

The Friends who were appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting as Representatives — are reported to have been present.

The Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Guilford has been received and acceptable read in this meeting.

The business of this Meeting coming to a close, we include proposing to meet again in the 9th mo at Fall River if permitted

Lydia Ann Gould
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Month 6th 1862.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings,—the Representatives therein named, are from—Rhode Island Martha S. Gould & Lydia Nichols, Swanzey—Edith G. Almy and Mary Chace, South Kingston Phebe Foster and Ann Page, Providence Paulina Foster and Anna E. Chace who being called are all present.

The queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th. as discription of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings minutes have been accepted & published at this time,—which with the Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Women Friends Read & Solid. The Clerk is directed to transmit Copies from to our Subordinate Meetings.

This Meeting adjourns Purposing to meet in 2nd Month next in North Providence if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo 5th 1863.

By accounts from each of our monthly meetings the Representatives therein named are from—
Rhode Island Martha S. Gould and Rachel S. Nichols
Swanzey—Anna R. Fiske and Nancy B. Buffinton
South Kingston—Phebe Foster and Eliza G. Thurfield
Providence—Jane C. Chace and Sarah S. Kenyon
who being called are all present except two.

The queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

Our friend Nathan Page being in attendance at this meeting presented a Copy of a Minute from Salem monthly meeting concurring in his prospect of attending our Quarterly Meeting

and a Quarterly Meeting within its limits; also of appointing some Meetings among others as way opens.—
The Record then accessible with us at this time. This Meeting concurs therein and the Clerk is directed to sign a Copy of a minute returning Minute prepared by our Friend.

This Meeting adjourns to meet at East Greenwich in 5th Month next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th Mo 7th 1863.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings — the representatives therein named are, from Rhode Island Catharine R. Boyce and Sarah Carr Coggeshall Nancy B. Buffington and Abby L. Chase South Kingston Elizabeth Shoffield & Susan Ray Providence Ruth Kenyon and Jane C. Chace whose names being called three of the number are not present — for the absence of one a satisfactory reason was given.

The Clerk not being present Martha S. Gould is appointed for the day. The Queries have all been read at this time, with answers to each from our respective Monthly Meetings, — which being considered descriptive of the State of Society are directed to be forwarded to our approaching Yearly Meeting — from Friends Phebe Foster, Martha S. Gould, Joanna Tripp, Rachel S. Nichols, Sarah S. Kenyon, Micajah B. Foster and Abby L. Chase — whom we appoint our Representatives thereto.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings Minutes together with an Epistle from Nottingham Yearly Meeting have been read in this and our subordinate meetings. No further business appearing to claim our attention at this time, — we conclude.

Martha S. Gould
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport 8th Mo 6th. 1863.

By accounts received from three of the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named are From —

Swansey Mary Chace and Lydia P. Chace
South Kingston Elizer G. Sheffield and Ruth Foster
Providence — Anna E. Chace and Jane C. Chace

who being called were present except three, for one of whom a satisfactory reason was rendered.

From Rhode Island Monthly Meeting no account this time. The Clerk being absent Sarah S. Kenyon is appointed to serve for the day.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th from each of the Monthly Meetings reported at this time.

Men Friends inform that on account of delinquencies and insubordination in Rhode Island and Swansey Monthly Meetings — they had concluded to appoint a Committee — to visit those Meetings on that account — this Meeting uniting therein have appointed Elizer G. Sheffield, Ruth Foster and Sarah S. Kenyon to join that Committee in visiting those Meetings and bestowing such labour as in their judgment the case requires — and report to a future Meeting when their service is accomplished.

This Meeting concludes purposing to meet again in 11th Month next at Fall River if permitted.

Sarah S. Kenyon
Clerk for the day

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo 5th 1863.

By the accounts received from three of our Monthly Meetings belonging hereunto, the representatives therein named are ——— from

Swanzey — Eliza Barnes & Joanna Tripp —
South Kingston Susan C. Ray and Phebe Foster
Providence Malvina B. Foster & Sarah S. Kenyon
who being called are present except one.

From Rhode Island Monthly Meeting no accounts.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th being descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

Men Friends presented a report from the Committee appointed by our Quarterly Meeting in 8th Mo last which has been read and accepted by them, — Women Friends concurring therein, — they also informed that the subjects referred to are continued under the care of the same Committee.

A request has been received from Swanzey Monthly Meeting — that said Meeting may be attached to that of Providence Monthly Meeting — which having been duly considered by this and Mens Meeting, their request is according ly granted.

The Clerk is directed to forward to that Meeting a Copy of this minute.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 4th 1864.

By accounts received from two of our Monthly Meetings belonging here to, the representatives therein named are from Swanzey

South Kingston Phebe Foster and Elizer G. Sheffield

Providence Isabella B. Rumen and Sarah H. Kenyon

who being called are all present;

The Queries with answers to the 1st to 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State of society, have been read at this time.

The Committee appointed by the Quarterly Meeting to visit Rhode Island and Swanzey Monthly Meetings sent in the following Report, — which was united with by Women Friends — and also that the same committee be continued for further consideration of the same subject, with this meeting concerning therein.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at East Greenwich in 5th mo next if permitted

Anna E. Chace

Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at East Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1864.

By the accounts received from two of the Monthly Meetings belonging here to, — the representatives therein named are from South Kingston Phebe Foster Wilbur, Susan C. Ray

Providence Mialma R. Foster and Anna E. Chace —

who being called are present except one.

From Rhode Island no account. The time having expired for which the Clerk was appointed to serve this meeting the subject is referred to the care of the representatives to report at a future meeting. — The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time from which the following Summary has been compiled to forward to the ensuing yearly Meeting by our friends Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Lydia Mitchell, Elizer G. Sheffield and Sarah H. Kenyon whom we appointed our representatives

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet in 8th mo next if permitted agreeable to the judgment of the Yearly Meeting at North Providence

Summary.) 1854.

Ans 1st.

All our meetings for religious Worship and Discipline have been attended except in a few instances during the past Year several men unattended by Women Friends. The hour nearly observed, not quite clean of slips, no other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

2nd

Love and unity in a good degree maintained among those remaining with us, detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd.

Most Friends have endeavoured to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from the corrupt conversation of the World, also to be examining therein themselves, and to have the Holy Scriptures frequently read in their families.

4th. Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and places of public resort, and to keep in true moderation and temperance on account of births, Marriages, Burials and on other occasions.

5th.

Friends have a care that the several parts of this query receive due consideration.

6th

Parents and Heads of families with the young and unmarried, have a care that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans 7th.

Friends endeavour to be faithful to their testimony against the several parts of this query, yet there are apparent deficiencies among the younger portion of some of our members with regard to attending Meetings of other denominations — for which Advice care has been extended.

8th.

Friends generally careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, punctual to their promises, and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th.

Friends are careful that Marriages, births, deaths, and burials be recorded, none have removed from or come among us except temporarily since our last account.

10th.

Some care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in a manner as queries after, that judgment may be placed when necessary according to discipline.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport on Rhode Island,

Dear Friends The Queries with answers thereto from our monthly Meetings have been read at this time, from which the following Summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present State of Society. Which with this account we forward to the Yearly Meeting by our friends, Phebe Foster, Anna E. Chace, Lydia Mitchell, Eliza G. Shuffield & Sarah A. Kenyon whom we appoint our representatives.

North Kingston Monthly Meeting proposes the appointment of Eliza G. Shuffield to the Station of Elder, which having been considered, and united with by friends belonging thereto and also having the concurrence of the Quarterly Meeting of Men and Women friends, — We forward the information with this account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting. — Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at East Greenwich 5th mo 5th 1864.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th Mo 4th 1864.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto – The representatives therein named are from South Kingston Phebe Wilbur and Ann Perry Providence Malinda B. Foster and Jane C. Chace who being called were absent except one in this station being the case in one instance.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd and 10th as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting in 6th mo last were all in attendance.

Providence Monthly Meeting ask permission to change the place of holding some of their Monthly Meetings namely, the 5th and 6th months to be held at Warwick, the 7th and 8th at Newport – 9th and 10th at Fall River the remainder at North Providence, which being united with by men and women Friends, they are hereafter to be held as proposed.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Fall River in 11th mo next if permitted

Anna C. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo 3rd 1864.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto – The representatives therein named are from South Kingston Phebe Foster and Elizer G. Shaffer Providence Mary Buffington Lydia P. Chace & Jane C. Chace who being called were present except two.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of the present State of society have been read at this time. Extracts from our last Yearly Meetings Minutes have been acceptably read at this time and the Clerk is directed to send copies of the same to our Subordinate Meetings.

To Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends, ——————

The following Minute has been received at this time relative to the change proposed by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting with regard to the one formerly held at East Greenwich which is henceforth to be held at Westerly in 5th Mo next at the usual time and the one heretofore held at Newport to be held at North Providence on the 1st fifth day of the 8th month as formerly — having the concurrence of Men & Women Friends

Extracted from the minutes of our late Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport for 1864.

Extracts have also been received from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Men Friends containing counsel and encouragements to more faithfulness in the maintenance of our Testimonies which have been satisfactorily read at this time.

There being no further business before the meeting we adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 2nd 1865.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from South Kingston Eliza G. Shuffield and Phebe Wilbur Providence Isabella B. Sherman Eliza Barney and Lydia Mitchell who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th mo 4th 1865.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from South Kingston Ann Perry and Elizabeth A. Shuffield Providence Mialmer R. Foster and Anna E. Chace who being called are present except one whose absence was caused by sickness.

The Queries with answers to each comprizing the present state of society have been read at this time which with this account we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by Anna E. Chace, Phebe Foster, Eliza G. Shuffield, Arenath Buffington Sarah S. Kenyon and Susan Bay whom we appoint our representatives.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each comprizing the present State of society, - have been read at this time which with this account we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by Anna E. Chace, Phebe Foster, Elizabeth Sheffield, Asenath Buffington, Sarah H. Kenyon and Susan Ray whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting's Minutes have been acceptably read in this and our subordinate meetings.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly 5th mo 4th 1865

Anna E Chace
Clerk,

Summary

Ans 1st.)

All our meetings for religious Worship & discipline have been attended, except a few for Worship. Those on first days by most of our members, Midweek Meetings not so fully attended, the hour mostly observed, not quite clear of sleep, of other unbecoming behaviour clear.

2nds.

Love and unity are maintained among friends and detraction guarded against; No differences have arisen.

Ans 3rds.

Most friends feel a concern to bring up their children in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, while a general concern is manifest that pernicious books and corrupt Conversation should be guarded against. Friends endeavour to be examplary at home themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans 4th.

Friends are careful to observe the several requirements of this Query.

Ans 5th:

No poor requiring assistance of Friends have come to our knowledge. Children partake of learning, none placed from among Friends.

6th. Friends endeavour that to all proceedings respecting Marriage be conformable to discipline, — Yet deficiencies are apparent — One instance of marrying out of society not yet attended to.

Ans 7th.

Most Friends maintain a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests wages and of Military Matters, Some of our young Friends are in the practice of attending meetings where there is a hired Minister. We think clear as regards the remainder of this Query.

Ans 8th.

Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, — are punctual the their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and endeavour to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 9th.

Friends not quite clear as to records, Some removals without Certificates.

Ans 10th No way has been opened to deal with offenders therefore no judgment has been passed.

Having no further business at this time we adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 8th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th Mo 3rd 1865.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — The Representatives therein named are from North Kingston Elizabeth Shuffield and Ruth Foster Providence Mildred E. Foster Lydia Mitchell and Anne C. Chace — who being called in all present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this time.

Extracts from our Yearly Meetings minutes have been acceptably read at this time.

One of our representatives appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting reports the attendance of all except one.

The Clerk is directed to send copies of the Extracts to our subordinate Meetings.

Having no further business we adjourn to meet at Fall River on 4th inst next if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo 2nd 1865.

By the accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named are from North Kingston Susan C. Bay and Elizabeth G. Shuffield Providence Mercy B. Buffington & Lydia P. Chace who being called are present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th from each of our monthly Meetings as descriptive of our present state of Society have been read at this time.

The business of this Meeting being ended We adjourn to meet at North Providence in 2nd Mo next if permitted.

Anna E Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo 5th 1866.

By the accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — the representatives therein named are from South Kingston Judith P. Peckham & Ann Perry Providence Catherine K. Boyd and Anna E. Chace, who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns & purposing to meet at Westerly in 5th Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th Mo 3rd 1866.

By accounts received from monthly meetings belonging hereto. The representatives therein named are from South Kingston Judith P. Peckham and Phebe Hoxie Providence Jane C. Chace and Asenath Buffington who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time, — which with this account are forwarded to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by — Ann Perry, Eliza G. Thaxfield, Phebe Hoxie, Hannah T. Kingston, Asenath Buffington and Anna E. Chace whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last Yearly Meeting Minutes have been received and acceptably read in this and our Subordinate Meetings.

Summary.

Ans 1st. All our meetings for religious Worship and discipline have been attended and generally by most Friends — except-a few no Women present, The hour mostly observed. Friends mostly clear of strife. No other unbecoming behaviour therein.

Ans 2nd.

Love and unity in a good degree maintained, Detraction guarded against, no differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans 3rd.

We believe Friends have a care to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel; and to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, — and that they endeavour to be exemplary therein themselves. Be filled the Holy Scriptures frequently read in their families.

Ans 4th.

Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, also the immoderate frequenting of taverns and places of public resort; — and to observe true moderation & temperance on other occasions.

Ans 5th.

There are none who require assistance amongst us. Children freely partake of learning none placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th. Parents and Heads of families appear careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to Gospel Rule. One case of marriage out which has been noticed.

Ans 7th. We think Friends are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests wages, except in a few cases of attending Meetings where there is a preaching Ministry. Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

Ans 8th

Friends are generally careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises and just in the payments of their debts, — and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 9th

Care is taken as to records, no removal since our last accounts.

Ans 10th

Some care has been extended towards offenders but no judgments placed since our last accounts.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each comprizing the present state of society, have been read at this time — a Summary of which with this account — we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by Ann Peary, Elizabeth Shoffield, Phebe Foster, Sarah S. Kenyon, Asenath Buffington and Anna E. Chace whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracts from our last yearly Meetings Minutes now been examined and acceptably read in this and our subordinate meetings.

Taken from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly 5th Mo 3rd 1866.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th Mo 2nd 1866.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the Representatives therein named are from South Kingston Susan C. Rey, Elizabeth Perry Providence Sarah Carr and Lydia Mitchell all present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting as Representatives are reported to have been in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention at this time — We adjourn purposing to meet at Fall River in 11th Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Fall River 11th Mo 1st 1866

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the Representatives therein named are from South Kingston Phebe Foster and Judith K. Peckham Providence — Lydia B. Chace Mary Chace & Arnath Buffington who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th being descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 7th 1867.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — the representatives therein named are from —— South Kingston Phebe Foster and Anna A. Foster Providence Asenath Buffington and Jane C. Chace, who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

Men Friends presented a proposition from South Kingston Monthly Meeting — to hold but two of their Monthly Meetings at South Kingston (namely) in the 5th and 9th Months — the rest alternately at Westerly & Hopkinton with which this meeting unites.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chase Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th Mo 2nd 1867.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives named therein, are from South Kingston Eliza G. Sheffield & Anna A. Foster Providence Malona R. Foster, Lydia Mitchell and Anna E. Chace, who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to each — as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time — from which the following Summary has been compiled to forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Phebe Foster, Eliza G. Sheffield, Anna E. Chace, Sarah D. Kenyon Asenath Buffington and Elizabeth Peary whom we appoint our representatives.

Over

Men friends propose to change the Holding of the Quarterly Meetings — that of the fifth month to be held hereafter at Hopkinton and at North Providence in the eighth month and Westerly in the eleventh and at North Providence in the second Months with which this meting unites and we forward the same to the Yearly Meeting for their consideration.

To. New England Yearly. Meting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time from which the following Summary has been compiled to forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Phebe Foster, Eliza G. Sheffield, Anna E. Chace, Hannah H. Kenyon, Hannah Buffinton and Elizabeth Perry whom we appoint our representatives.

Men friends propose to change the Holding of the Quarterly Meetings — that of the fifth Month to be held hereafter at Hopkinton and at North Providence in the eighth month and at Westerly in the eleventh and at North Providence in the second months with which this meting unites and we forward the same to the Yearly Meting for their consideration.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meting held at Westerly 5th Mo 2nd 1867.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

Summary

Ans 1st:

All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except a few no women present. The hour nearly observed, mostly clear of Slips — no other unbecoming behavior when assembled.

2nd) Love and unity in a good degree maintained, detraction guarded against; no differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd) Most friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour and apparel, also to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt conversation, and are generally examples therein themselves.

The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in friends families.

4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and places of public resort, and to observe true moderation and temperance on other occasions.

5th) There are no friends amongst us who require assistance; no children placed from among friends.

6th) Friends are careful that Proceedings of Marriage proceedings are according to discipline.

7th) We think friends generally are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the Payment of Priests Wages. — Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

9th) Cared as to the several parts of this Query.

(ins. 10th)

Some care has been taken to deal with offenders, We trust as queried, and judgments placed when necessary according to discipline.

We adjourn purposing to meet in 8th Mo next at North Providence if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th Mo 1st 1867.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — The representatives therein named — are from South Kingston Judith F. Peckham and Mary Collins Providence Catherine K. Boyce, Mary Chace and Asenath Buffinton — who being called are all present.

The queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time.

The representatives appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting were all in attendance except one who was prevented by indisposition.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 7th 1867.

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named, are from South Kingston Phebe Wilbur and Ann Perry Providence Asenath Buffinton & Jane E. Chace who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th. being descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

No further business claiming our attention at this time — The meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 6th 1868.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named, are from South Kingston Phebe Foster & Elizabeth Perry Providence — Mialma R. Foster & Catharine K. Boyd. who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th have been read at this time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Hopkinton in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th Mo. 7th 1868.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named are from —

South Kingston Phebe Foster and Judith F. Peckham
Providence Sarah S. Kenyon, Catherine K. Boyd and Malinda P. Foster — whose names being called are present.

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time — from which the following Summary is compiled as descriptive of our present State of society — which we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting — by our Friends — Phebe Foster, Asenath Buffington Sarah S. Kenyon, Phebe Wilbur and Eliza G. Sheffield whom we appoint our representatives.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in the 8th Month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clk for the day.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport on Rhode Island

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time, — from which the following Summary has been compiled as descriptive of our present State of society, which we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends — Phebe Foster, Asenath Buffington, Sarah S. Kenyon, Phebe Wilbur and Eliza G. Sheffield whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Hopkinton 5th Mo 7th 1868.

Ann Perry Clerk
For the day.

1868 Summary

Ans 1st. All our Meetings for Worship and Discipline have been attended, — except a few for both owing to the severity of the Weather and the smallness of our number. — The hour is nearly observed, Mostly clear of Sleep, — No other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

(Ans. 2nd) Love and Unity appear to be maintained among us; detraction generally guarded against, No differences have come to our knowledge.

(Ans 3rd) Most Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of Speech behaviour & Apparel also to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt Conversation, and are generally exemplary therein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

4th) We believe Friends are careful to confine the use of Spirituous Liquors to medicinal purposes and to guard against the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and places of public resort, and to observe true moderation and temperance on the occasions referred to.

5th) The circumstances of the Poor are attended to, and their necessities relieved. All partake of learning. None placed from among Friends.

6th) Most Parents and Heads of Families - with the young and unmarried endeavour to conform to the requisitions of this Query. Some instances of keeping company and Marrying out of society, which require attention.

7th) Friends are generally careful to bear a faithful Testimony against the Payment of Priests Wages. Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

(Ans 8th)

Friends are generally careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

(Ans 9th) Clear as to records, Some removals without Certificates.

(Ans 10th) We believe Friends feel a concern to deal with offenders as queried after, but owing to our stripped condition, there has been no dealing with offenders, since our last account and consequently no placing of judgment.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th 6th 1868.

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, — The representatives named are from — South Kingston Mary Collins, Phebe Wilbur and Ann Perry.

Providence Sarah Carr, Catharine K. Boyd and Sarah S. Kenyon — who being called are present except — two.

We are informed that the Friends appointed to attend our Yearly Meeting as representatives were all in attendance except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th. mo next if permitted.

Anne E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Islands Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th Mo 5th 1868.

By accounts received from Monthly Metings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from —

South Kingston Susan C. Kenyon and Ann Perry
Providence Mialma K. Foster and Anna E. Chace
all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th being descriptive of our present State of society — have been read at this time.

This Meting adjourns purposing to meet in North Providence in 2nd Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Islands Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo 4th 1869.

By accounts received from monthly Metings belonging hereto — the representatives therein named are from —

South Kingston Eliza G. Sheffield and Lydia H. Foster
Providence Lydia Mitchell & Catherine K. Boyd,
all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this time.

This Meting adjourns purposing to meet at Hopkinton in 5th Mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th Mo 6th 1869.

By the accounts from Monthly Metings belonging hereto the representatives named therein are from

South Kingston Ann Perry & Phebe Wilbur
Providence Asenath Buffinton & Catherine K. Boyd
all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time, — from which the following Summary has been compiled which with this account we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Phebe Foster Eliza G. Shuffield Anna E. Chace Lydia Mitchell Catherine K. Boyd & Ann Perry whom we appoint our representatives.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
next to be held at Newport

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time, — from which the following Summary has been compiled to forward with this account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends — Phebe Foster, Eliza G. Shuffield Anna E. Chace Lydia Mitchell Catherine K. Boyd and Ann Perry whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meting held at Hopkinton 5th Mo 6th 1869.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

Ans 1st

All our meetings for religious Worship & discipline have been attended — except a few no women present. The hour nearly observed — mostly clear of Sleep no other unbecoming behaviour.

Ans 2nd) We believe Friends maintain love & unity, and guards against distraction, No differences exist among Friends.

Ans 3rd) Most Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel. Also to discourage unprofitable reading and corrupt conversation and are generally exemplary herein themselves.

The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families

Ans 4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for Medicine — also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort and to observe true moderation & temperance on other occasions.

Ans 5th) There are no Friends amongst us needing assistance; No children placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th) Friends are careful that marriage proceedings are according to discipline.

2 Ans 7th We think Friends generally are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests wages. Clear as to the remaining part of this Query.

Ans 8th Friends are careful to inspect their affairs & settle their accounts, and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, — and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 6th Recording generally attended to, no removals since our last accounts.

10th Friends endeavour to deal with offenders as discipline requires; and to place judgments when necessary.

We adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 8th Mo next if permitted

Anna E Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 5th Mo 5th 1869.

By the accounts from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives are from ——
South Kingston Lydia H. Foster & Eliza G. Sheffield
Providence Malvina B. Foster & Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting were all present except one who was prevented by sickness in this family.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th Mo next if permitted

Anna E. Chace Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo. 4th 1869.

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives names are from South Kingston Phebe Wilbur and Mary H. Collins Providence Asenath Buffington and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourned purposing to meet in North Providence in 2nd month next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo. 3rd 1870.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representative named therein are from South Kingston Ann Peary and Eliza J. Hatfield. Providence Anne C. Chace and Mialmer H. Foster all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourned purposing to meet at Hopkinton 4th 5th mo. next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th mo 5th 1870.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the respective names therein are from — North Kingston Phebe Wilbur, Susan C. Kay Providence Asenath Buffinton & Jane C. Chace whose names being called are present &c.

The Queries with answers thereto have been read at this time — from which we select the following as descriptive of our present State which we forward by our friends, Lydia H. Foster, Catherine K. Boyd, Phebe Foster, Asenath Buffinton and Ann Perry, whom we appoint our representatives to the ensuing Yearly Meeting.

This meeting unites with the Men's meeting in approving the Public appearances in the Ministry of John W. Foster.

The Meeting adjourns for purpose to meet again at North Providence 8th Month next if permitted.

Ann Perry
Clerk for the day

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport

Dear Friends The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time - from which the following Summary is Compiled as descriptive of our present State of Society — which we forward to the approaching Yearly Meeting by our friends Lydia H. Foster, Catherine K. Boyd, Phebe Foster, Asenath Buffinton and Ann Perry whom we appoint our representatives

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Hopkinton 5th mo 5th 1870. Ann Perry

Clerk for the day

Summary.

Ans 1st.) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended with a few exceptions The hour nearly observed; Mostly clear of sleep; no other unbecoming behaviour.

Ans 2nd) Love and unity are, we think maintained and detraction guarded against, no differences among us.

3rd. Most friends appear concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness as required, also to restrain them from pernicious reading, — and the corrupt conversation of the world; endeavouring to be examples herein themselves; The Holy Scriptures are read in friends families.

Ans 4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicinal purposes, and also in regard to frequenting taverns and places of public resort; we believe moderation is observed in the remaining requirements of this query.

Ans. 5th) ——— None need assistance; no children placed from among friends.

Ans 6th) Friends endeavour that all proceedings respecting Marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans 7th) We believe friends maintain a testimony against the payment of Priests wages, and also in the remaining portions of this query.

Ans 8th) Friends are careful to inspect their affairs, and settle their accounts; and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises, just in the payments of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Query 9th) The records are attended to, one instance of coming amongst us without certificate.

10th) A concern is manifest and some care has been taken to deal with offenders we find to in the spirit required by discipline, and to place judgment when necessary, accordingly.

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th mo 4th 1870.

By the accounts from the Monthly Meetings belonging here to the representatives therein named from South Kingston Phebe Wilbur and Eliza G. Sheffield Providence Lydia Mitchell & Asenath Buffington who being called are present except one.

The friends appointed as representatives to our Yearly Meeting were all in attendance.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th month next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 3rd 1870.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives names are from South Kingston Judith F. Peckham & Phebe Wilbur Providence, Mary Chace and Jane E. Chace, who being called are present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

No further business coming before us, we adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo. 2nd 1871.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from North Kingston Phebe Foster and Judith F. Peckham Providence Abraham Butterfield and Anne E. Chace who being called are present. Ann Perry of Providence was on account of indisposition.

The queries with answers to the 1st and 5th 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns proposing to meet at Hopkinton in 5th mo next if permitted.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th mo 4th 1871.

By accounts from monthly meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from North Kingston Phebe Foster and Elizabeth Perry Providence Abraham R. Foster and Anne E. Chace all of whom are present. The queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time from which the following summary has been compiled, which with this account we forward to the ensuing yearly Meeting by Phebe Foster, Anne E. Chace, Abraham R. Foster, Ann Perry, Catherine K. Boyd and Eliza G. Sheffield whom we appoint our representatives.

To New England Yearly Meeting of Women Friends next to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends The queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time, from which the following summary has been compiled, which with the account we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by Phebe Foster, Anne E. Chace, Abraham R. Foster, Ann Perry, Catherine K. Boyd and Eliza G. Sheffield whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th Mo 4th 1871.

Summary.

Ans 1st.) All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except a few prevented by indisposition in friends families. The hour nearly observed, mostly clear of sleep, No other unbecoming behaviour.

Ans 2nd) Love and unity are maintained detraction guarded against; no differences among us.

3rd) Most friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel. Also to discourage improfitable reading and corrupt conversation and are generally exemplary herein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in friends families.

4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for Medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns & places of public resort, and to observe due moderation and temperance on their accounts.

5th) There are none among us who require assistance, Children partake of learning, none placed from among friends.

6th) We believe friends are careful that proceedings in regard to marriage are conformable to discipline.

7th) Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises & just in the payment of their debts and careful to live within the bounds of their or their circumstances.

(Ans 9th) We believe friends are careful in regard to records. No friends removed from or come amongst us without certificates.

10th) Some concern is felt - to deal with offenders we trust in the spirit required by discipline, and to place judgment when necessary.

7th answer) overlooked in its proper place.

We think friends generally are careful to bear unfaithful testimony against the Payment of Priests Wages.

Clear as to the remaining Queries of this query.

~~Anna E. Chace Clk~~

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in 8th month next if permitted. Anna E. Chace Clerk

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th mo 3rd 1871.

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings present from ___ are from ___ South Kingston — Eliza G. Sheffield and Ann Peace from Providence — Lydia Mitchell and Sarah Carr — who being called are present except one.

The friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting report all were in attendance except one who was prevented by sickness.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd. & 10th as descriptive of our present State of Society have been read at this time.

No further business coming on Meeting we adjourn purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th mo. next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th Mo 2nd 1871.

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives named therein are from South Kingston Susan C. Gray and Elizabeth Perry Providence Lydia Mitchell and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as description of our present state have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet at South Providence in 2nd month next if permitted. Anna E. Chace Clerk

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At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo 8th 1872

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives named therein from [illegible] Phebe Foster & Ann Jenks Providence Catherine K. Boyd & Jane E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as description of our present state of society have been read at this time

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Hopkinton in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th Mo 2nd 1872

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from South Kingston Susan C. Rup and Phebe Wilbur Providence Asenath Buffington & Catherine K. Boyd whose names being called are present.

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time from which the following have been selected as descriptive of our present State of Society, — which we forward to the ensuing Quarterly Meeting to our Friends — Phebe Foster Hannah A. Foster Hannah Buffington Lydia Mitchell Lydia H. Foster & Abiah M. P. Foster whom we appoint our representatives.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet at North Providence in 8th mo next if permitted.

To New England every Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends The Queries with answers thereto have been read at this time, from which the following have been selected as descriptive of our present State of Society, which we forward to our Friends, Phebe Foster, Hannah A. Foster Hannah Buffington Lydia Mitchell Lydia H. Foster & Abiah M. P. Foster whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Hopkinton 5th mo 2nd 1872. Ann Ring Clerk pro tem.

Summary.

(Ans 1st.

All our meetings for religious Worship & Discipline have been attended — with a few exceptions.

The hour nearly observed, Mostly clean & tidy. & With becoming behaviour.

2nd) Love and Unity in a good degree maintained, Detraction guarded against, No differences have come to our knowledge.

3rd) Friends are generally concerned to bring up those under their direction as Servants, also to restrain them from pernicious reading and the corrupt-conversation of the world, — being exemplary therein themselves.

The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in their families.

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Ans 4th) Friends are careful to avoid the use of Spirituous liquors except for Medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of Taverns and Places of Public resort and to observe due moderation and temperance on other occasions.

5th) There are no friends among us requiring assistance, Children partake of learning, none Black or poor among Friends

6th) Friends have a care that all Proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline.

7th) We think friends generally are careful to bear faithful testimony against the Payment of Priests Wages, Clear as to the remaining part of this query.

8th) Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, and also endeavour to be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th) We believe recording is attended to, No removals since our last accounts.

10th) There appears a concern among friends to deal with offenders in the spirit of meekness by discipline, and to place judgments when necessary accordingly.

Ann Perry
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th mo 10th 1872

By accounts received from monthly Meetings belonging hereto - The representatives named therein are from South Kingston Ruth Perry and Ann Peckham Providence Catherine R. Byron and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read at this time.

Having no further business before us at this time — We adjourn purposing to meet at Westerly in 7th mo next if permitted. Anna E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 7th - 1872.

By accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging thereto — the representatives are from South Kingston Judith R. Peckham & Phebe Watson Providence Abm. H. Buffington & Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th - descriptive of our present state of society, — have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet at North Providence in 2nd mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd mo 6th 1873.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging unto the The representatives named are from South Kingston Elizabeth Appleton and Ann Peckham from Providence Malvina R. Foster and Sarah H. Kempton who being called were present except one. — The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as descriptive of our present state of society have been read this time, — We adjourn purposing to meet at Kingston in 5th mo next if permitted.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th mo 1st 1873

By accounts from the several meetings taken in here to the representatives named, were present South Kingston Elizabeth Hoffman, Elizabeth Lewis, Phebe Hill, Providence, Rachel R. Foster, Catharine K. Boyd, Lydia Mitchell who being called we all present except one.

The Queries with Answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time which with the accounts we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends, Phebe Foster, Eliza F. Hoffman, Sarah Buffington and Anna E. Chace whom we appoint our representatives

At New England Yearly Meeting Friends not to be held as usual in Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with Answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time which with the accounts we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Phebe Foster, Eliza F. Hoffman, Sarah Buffington and Anna E. Chace whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Hopkinton 5th mo 1st 1873.

Anna E. Chace Clerk

Summary.

Ans 1st) All our Meetings for religious worship & discipline have been attended with a few exceptions, encouragement of small meetings of members and in their stations in friends families the Queries solidly observed, mostly steady & weekly, no other unbecoming behaviour.

Ans 2nd) Love and unity are maintained, Friends are generally grounded into a disinclination to differences existing that we know of.

Ans 3rd)

We believe Friends are mostly careful to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech behaviour, and apparel, and also set concern to discourage pernicious reading, and corrupt conversation being exemplary herein themselves. The Holy Scriptures we believe are frequently read in Friends families.

4th) Friends are careful as regards spirituous liquors, as also the manner of keeping houses of taverns & places of public resort, moderation and temperance mostly observed in the remaining parts of this query.

5th) There are no friends among us reading plays, nor children placed from among friends.

6th) We believe most friends are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline yet there are some deviations in this respect.

7th) We believe friends maintain a testimony against the payments of Priests Wages, and also in the remaining portions of this query.

8th) We believe friends are careful in regard to the several parts of this query.

9th) Careful as to records, mostly clear in regard to removal Certificates.

10th) A concern remains with Friends to deal with offenders as queried, and also to place independents in the authority of truth according to discipline.

Yet delays and apparent omissions.

We adjourn to meet at North Providence in 8th mo next if permitted.

Amos E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 8th mo 7th 1873

By the accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto - the representatives named being called and from South Kingston Anne Perry and Anna A. Foster Providence Catherine K. Boyce & Jane C. Chace who being called are all present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st. 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

One of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting - reports that all were in attendance except - one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was rendered.

We adjourn purposing to meet at Westerly in 11th month next if permitted.

Anne E. Chace Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 6th 1873.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto - the representatives named therein are from South Kingstown Phebe Foster and Phebe Wilbur - Providence - Asenath Buffington and Sarah S. Kenyon whose names being called are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this time

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again in 2nd mo next at North Providence if permitted

Ann Perry
Clerk for the day

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at North Providence 2nd Mo. 5th 1874.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging here to the representatives named therein — are from South Kingstown Phebe Foster, Elizabeth Perry & Lydia H. Foster — Providence Mialma R. Foster and Lydia Mitchell whose names being called are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state — have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again in the 5th Mo next at Hopkinton if permitted.

Ann Perry
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th month 7th 1874.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging here to the representatives named are from — — South Kingstown Phebe Foster and Phebe Wilbur Providence Catherine K. Boyce & Mialma R. Foster — whose names being called are present.

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society, have been read at this time, which we forward with this account by our friends Phebe Foster, Ann Perry, Catherine K. Boyce, Lydia Mitchell Mialma R. Foster and Anna A. Foster — whom we appoint representatives to the ensuing Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at North Providence in the eighth month if permitted.

Ann Perry
Clerk for the day

To the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Women Friends
To be held at Newports on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The Queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present State of society have been read at this time, — Which we forward with this account by our friends Phebe Foster, Ann Penn, Catharine K. Hoyt, Lydia Mitchell, Martha A. Foster and Sarah Post. whom we appoint our representatives.

Extracted from the Minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5th Month 7th 1874.

Summary

Ans 1st

All our Meetings for Religious worship & discipline have been attended — with one exception The hours observed Friends endeavour to guard against sleeping. No other unbecoming behaviour noticed.

2nd

Love and unity are maintained and detraction guarded against. No differences have come to our knowledge.

Ans 3rd

We believe Friends are mostly careful to bring up those under their direction in Habits of speech behaviour and apparel and also feel concerned to discourage pernicious reading and corrupt conversation, being examples in these themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

4th

Friends are careful to attend their meetings as do the immediate families of the ministers and places of public resort, Moderation and temperance observed in the transacting parts of the business.

5th

There are no Friends requiring assistance. Children partake of learning. None placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th

We believe Friends are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline, & that no deviations in this respect.

7th

1. We believe friends maintain their testimony against the payment of Priests Wages, and also in the remaining requirements of this query.

8th We believe friends are careful in regard to the several parts of this query.

9th Careful as to seances, mostly clear in regard to removal Certificates

Ans 10th

A concern remains with Friends to deal with offenders as to bring [illegible] to [illegible] friends in the [illegible] to discipline, & to [illegible].

This meeting informs [illegible] Particulars in the eighth month next if permitted.

Ann Per
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8th mo 6th 1874.

By accounts from the several meetings belonging thereto the following queries were [illegible] Ruth Kings & Eliza Jeffords and Eliza Bowring, Providence Lydia H. and Arnold Buffington. Who being called are all present.

The queries with answers to the 2nd 3rd & 4th as descriptive of our present state of society — have been read at this time.

The friends appointed to prepare answers to the 5th 6th & 7th queries report all were in attendance.

The [illegible] proposing to meet at Pawtucket 8th mo 6th if permitted.

Arnold [illegible]
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 5th 1874.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging thereto The representatives named are from ——
South Kingston Judith F. Peckham & Phebe Wilbur
Newport —— Sarah Buffington ——
Whose names being called are all present.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to again in 2nd month at Pawtucket if permitted. Ann Perry Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2nd mo 4th 1875.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging thereto the representatives named are from ——
South Kingston Elozer G. Sheffield Judith F. Peckham & Ann Foster
Providence —— Rhoda B. Hart & Lydia A. Mitchell.
Whose names being called we were three present, a sufficient reason was rendered.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Hopkinton in 5th month if permitted. Ann Perry
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8th mo 5th 1875.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging thereto the representatives named are from
South Kingston Phebe Wilbur Sarah B. Foster & Ann Perry
Providence Lydia A. Mitchell and Rhoda B. Foster whose names being called we only two present.

The queries with answers to the first second & tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting have been invited in Providence - so it is one.

Phebe Foster and Mialma R. Foster are appointed to bring forward the name of some one to serve as Clerk to the Quarterly Meeting and report at our next meeting

Men Friends report that have concluded to discontinue holding the monthly meetings of the 6th & 10th months at Fall River and attach them to Providence monthly meeting to be held at Pawtucket.

Re adjourn to meet at Rhode in 11th Mo 4th if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 11th Mo 4th - 1875.

By accounts from Monthly Meetings belonging hereto, the representatives named therein are from ——— South Kingston Judith F. Robinson & Susan C. Rae Providence Jane C. Chace and Anna E. Chace all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 6th Query & 10th as descriptive of our present state of Society have been read at this time.

The Friends appointed to bring forward the name of some one to serve as Clerk to this meeting not having reported at this time the subject is deferred until our next Quarterly Meeting.

No further business coming before this meeting — We adjourn to meet at Pawtucket in 2nd month next — if permitted.

Anna E. Chace
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women friends held at Pawtucket 2nd Mo 3d. 1876.

By reports from Monthly Meetings to the 3rd month the representatives named are given.
South Kingston Anna A. Foster Ann Perry, Eliza G Sheffield
Providence Medina R. Foster and Sarah S. Tenyon
whose names being called are present except two.

The friends appointed to bring forward a name for clerk to this meeting propose the name of Ann Perry which is united with by this meeting and she is accordingly appointed to that service for the year ensuing or until another is appointed.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of the present state of our society have been read at this time.

We are informed by the mens meeting that Providence Monthly Meeting proposes that Jeremiah Foster should be appointed to the station of an elder, which is united with by this meeting.

No farther business claiming our attention at this time we adjourn to meet at Hopkinton in the 5th month next if permitted.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 4th & 5th mo 1876.

The accounts from the monthly Meetings belonging thereto the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Rhobe Wilbur and Lydia H Foster. Providence Asenath Buffington and Jane C. Chase. whose names being called are present except one

The queries with answers thereto have been read at this time from which the following summary has been selected as discriptive of our present state of society which we forward with this account by our friends Anna A Foster Anne Peary, Rhobe Wilbur, Lydia Mitchel and Jane C. Chase whom we appoint representatives to our approaching Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island

To the ensuring Yearly Meeting of Women Friends to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

Dear Friends

The queries with answers to each as discriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time from which the following summary has been committed to forward to the ensuring Yearly Meeting by our friends Anna A Foster, Anne Peary, Rhobe Wilbur, Lydia Mitchel and Jane C. Chase whom we appoint our representatives

Extracted from the minutes of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Hopkinton 5th mo 4th 1876.

Summary

1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except three, the hour nearly observed; none give way to sleep; no other unbecoming behavior noticed.

Ans. 2 Love and unity are maintained; detraction guarded against; no differences have come to our knowledge.

3. We believe Friends feel a care to bring up those under their [illegible] in plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, and to restrain them from reading pernicious [illegible] and from [illegible] conversation [illegible] and that they are exemplary therein themselves. The Holy Scriptures we believe are frequently read in Friends families.

4th. Friends are careful in the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, also in frequenting of taverns, and places of public resort, and endeavor to keep in moderation and temperance in the remaining [illegible] of this query.

5th. There are none among us who need assistance—children partake of learning; none placed from among Friends.

6th. We believe most Friends are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

7th. We believe Friends maintain a testimony against payment of priests wages, and also in the remaining [illegible] of this query.

8th. We think Friends are careful to make their affairs and settle their accounts; that they are punctual to their promises, and just in the payment of their debts; and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans. 9th. Careful as to records, no Friends removed from or come amongst us without certificates.

10th. Friends feel a concern that all dealing be in accordance with the discipline. There has been no case requiring attention since our last account.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 8mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

[illegible] Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 3rd 8mo 1876.

By appointment the Monthly Meeting [illegible] to the representatives Friends named [illegible] South Kingston [illegible] Quarterly [illegible] prevented from attending [illegible]

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at time.

[illegible] Friends appointed to attend [illegible] as representatives are reported as all in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we adjourn, purposing to meet at Westerly in the 11th mo. if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Westerly R. I. 11mo 1876.

By accounts from the monthly meetings belonging to the representatives therein named are from [illegible] Phebe Wilbur and Martha Foster [illegible] Sarah W. Kenyon and Jane C. Chase. whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth, as descriptive of our present state of society, have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 2nd month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Pawtucket 1st 2mo 1877.

By accounts from the monthly meetings belonging to the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Mary F. Collins & Louisa V. Foster. Providence Wilma R. Foster and Jane C. Chase. whose names being called are present except one.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society, have been read at this time to the satisfaction of this meeting.

No further business claiming our attention this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at Hopkinton in the 5th month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women friends held at Hopkinton 3mo 3. 1877.

By accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from

South Kingston [illegible]

Providence Malma R. Foster and Lydia Mitchel

whose names being called are all present.

The queries with answers thereto have been read at this time, and the following summary has been selected as [illegible] Malma R. Foster, Lydia G. Hazzard, [illegible] and Jane C. Chase, whom we appoint [illegible] to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

[illegible] at Pawtucket in the 8th Month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

Summary

Ans 1. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended, except in case of sickness and stormy weather; the [illegible] observed; care of [illegible], to eschew unbecoming behavior when met.

Ans 2 Love and unity are we think maintained and detraction guarded against, no differences have arisen amongst us.

Ans 3 Most friends endeavor to bring up their children in the practice of plain habits, and to discourage unprofitable reading and company, and generally [illegible] therein themselves. We think the Holy Scriptures are frequently

read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th Friends are careful in the use of spirituous liquors, also in the attendance of places of public resort. We believe moderation and temperance are observed on other occasions.

5th We are no Friends amongst who [illegible] no children placed from among Friends.

6th Parents and heads of families feel concerned that proceedings relative to marriage are conformable to our discipline.

7th We think Friends are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests wages. Clear as to the remaining parts of this query.

8th Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts, and also endeavor to be punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

9th We think careful in regard to records. Some Friends have come to reside within our limits, but do not [illegible] certificates have as yet been received.

10th A care rests with Friends to deal with offenders as exact as period after. No judgment placed since our last account.

Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2d of 8mo 1877.

By accounts received from the Monthly Meetings belonging here the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Elsie G. Hatfield, and Ann Perry.

Providence Thalma R. Foster, and Sarah S. Kenyon.

[illegible]

[illegible] of the representatives to the Quarterly Meeting appear they were all in attendance.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second and Seventh as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 11th month next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 1st 11mo 1877.

By the accounts received from the Mo. Mtgs belonging here to the representatives therein named are from

South Kingstown Martha Hazard and Phebe Whitford.

[illegible] whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Seventh as descriptive of our present state of society [illegible] time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the second month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2mo 4th 1874.

The [illegible] Friends [illegible]
the following Friends were [illegible]
Phebe Almy, Ann A. Foster and Lydia H. Foster
Providence, Mehetabel R. Foster and Lydia Mitchell
Smithfield, were called as [illegible]

The queries were answered to the First Query and
Epistles of advices from our several Monthly Meetings
have been read at this time.

The Meeting adjourned, [illegible] to meet again at Hopkinton
in the 5th month next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends
held at [illegible] this 2nd 1874.

The accounts from our Mo. Mtgs. being present the
[illegible] [illegible] were read
viz. Kingstown Eliza G. Hatfield and Elizabeth Perry.
[illegible]
Whose names being called are present.

[illegible]
which the following Summary has been compiled to
forward with this account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting
by our friends Phebe Foster, Ann Perry, & Eliza A. Foster

[illegible]

[illegible] Meeting adjourned for [illegible]
[illegible]
give way to study of other more becoming behavior clear when
met.

[illegible] exception. Detractions generally [illegible]
A difference has arisen amongst us.

[illegible] friends [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] and the
[illegible] [illegible] world [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] frequently [illegible]
[illegible] families.

[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
and temperance on other occasions.

5th Gives no friends amongst us requiring assistance;
Encourages particular of learning; none traced from among
Friends.

[illegible]
[illegible]

7th We believe friends, maintaining the testimony against the
[illegible] of these days [illegible]
[illegible] of this [illegible]

8th [illegible] [illegible] and
their accounts; Also endeavor to be punctual to their business
[illegible]
[illegible]

9th [illegible]
[illegible] certificates.

10th Do close with friends to deal with offenders we
[illegible]

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 8th month if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

[illegible] at Pawtucket 6th mo. 1st 1878.

By the accounts received from our Mo. Mtgs the representatives [illegible] Olive G. Whitfield and [illegible] Foster Providence Sarah H. Hanson Medina R. Foster whose names being called are present except one

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in 11th month next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk

[illegible] held at Westerly 11th mo 7th 1878.

The accounts from our Mo. Mtgs are present and the [illegible] Friends appointed representatives to this meeting Olive G. Whitfield, Caroline Perry Medina R. Foster and Sarah B. Hanson whose names being are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth [illegible] our present state of society have been read at this time.

Having accomplished the business of this meeting we adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the second Month if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2mo 6th 1879.

The accounts from our Monthly Meetings being present the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Elizabeth Perry and Phebe Wilbour Providence Sarah L. Kenyon & Malvina P. Foster whose names being called are present except two.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet at Hopkinton in 3rd month next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Hopkinton 5mo 1st 1879.

By the accounts received from our Mo. Mtgs. the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Eliza G. Sheffield and Martha Foster from Providence Jane C. Chase and Anna H. Chase whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to each from our Mo. Mtgs. as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this which with this account we forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Anna A. Foster, Ann Perry Jane C. Chase and Ruth A. Crandall. whom we appoint our representatives

Dear Friends propose that the Quarterly Mtg. held at Hopkinton in the 5th Mo. should be changed held at Westerly and request the commence of the Yearly Meeting this meeting uniting therewith.

This Mtg. adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 8th Mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

Summary.

Ans 1st Our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been mostly attended, a few instances no woman present on account of illness. The hour observed. Friends preserved from sleeping or other unbecoming behavior when met.

2d Love, and unity appear to be maintained with one exception. Detraction generally guarded against. A difference has arisen amongst us toward which some care has been extended.

3d We believe Friends feel a care to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech, behavior, and apparel, and to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and that they are exemplary therein themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures frequently read in Friends families.

4th Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns, and places of public resort, and to observe moderation and temperance on other occasions.

5th There are no Friends amongst us requiring assistance; no children placed from among Friends.

6th Friends are concerned that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline.

7th We think Friends generally are careful to bear a faithful testimony against the payment of Priests' wages, Clear as to the remaining parts of this query.

8th Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts — also endeavor to be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans. 9th We think careful in regard to records. No Friends removed from or come amongst without certificates

10th. A care rests with Friends to deal with offenders we trust as queried after. No judgment placed since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8mo 7th 1879.

By the accounts from our Mo. Mtgs. the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Ann Perry and Elvira G. Sheffield from Providence Sarah S. Kenyon and Mialma R. Foster whose names being called answer

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting were all present except one who was prevented from attending by illness in the family.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 11mo next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th Mo 6th 1879.

The accounts from our Mo. Mtgs. being present the representatives to this Mtg. are from South Kingstown Lydia H. Foster and Phebe Wilbur, from Providence Jane E. Chase Mialma R. Foster & Mary K. Wood whose names being called are present except two one of whom was prevented from attending by sickness in the family. The queries with the answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of Society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 8th mo. next if permitted. Ann Perry Clk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2mo 5th 1880.

By the accounts received from the Mo. Mtgs. belonging hereto the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Phebe Wilbur and Anna A. Foster from Providence Olive Evans and Lydia Mitchell whose names being called are present except two.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

This meeting concludes purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 5th month next if permitted.

5-Mo 6th 1880

At Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Westerly

The accounts from our Mo Mtgs. being present the representatives to this meeting are from South Kingstown Mary Collins, Elvira G. Hoffield and Lydia E. Nichols from Providence Wilhelmina R. Foster, Sarah S. Kenyon and Jane C. Chase. whose names being called are present except one.

The queries with answers to each from our monthly meetings as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time from which the following summary has been compiled which we forward with this account by our friends Phebe Foster Elvira G. Hoffield, Jane C. Chase, Sarah S. Kenyon, and Phebe Wilbur whom we appoint representatives to attend our ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 8th Mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 8mo 6th 1880.

Friends from our monthly meetings being present the representatives to this meeting are from South Kingstown Mary F. Collins, Elisa G. Sheffield, and Lydia F. Nichols from Providence Nialua R. Foster, Sarah S. Kenyon and Jane C. Chace whose names being called are present except one

The queries with answers to each from our Mo. Mtgs. as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time, from which the following summary has been compiled, which we forward with this account by our Friends Phebe Foster, Elisa G. Sheffield Jane C. Chace, Sarah S. Kenyon and Phebe Wilbur whom we appoint representatives to attend our approaching Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport on Rhode Island

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in 8mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

Summary

Ans 1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except one on account of an funeral, the hour nearly observed: Friends are preserved from sleeping, and other unbecoming behavior when assembled

Ans 2d Love and unity appear to be maintained with one exception, detraction generally guarded against; a difference has arisen amongst us towards which some care has been extended.

Ans 3d Friends endeavor to bring up those under their care in plainness of behavior and apparel to restrain them reading pernicious books and the corrupt conversation of the world, and to be examplary therein themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans 4th Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except in medicine. Are unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort. observing moderation on other occasions

Ans. 5th = None among us needing assistance; no Children placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th Parents and Heads of families are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to Truth's rules.

Ans 7th Clear as to the several parts of this query.

Ans 8th Friends are careful to inspect their affairs, and settle their accounts, agreeable to their circumstances, just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 9th Careful in these respects.

Ans 10th Friends have a care to deal with offenders in the manner required in discipline, no judgment has been placed since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8th mo 5th 1880.

By the accounts received from Monthly Meetings belonging to this representative Union, returned are from Yearly Meeting Alice G. Sheffield, Mary Ann Shove and Anna A. Foster, from Providence Sarah S. Kenyon and Jane C. Pierce whose names being called are present except one.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

One of the representatives to the Yearly Mtg. reports they attended to their appointment.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly on the 11th mo next if permitted.

Anna A. Foster
Clerk for the day

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11mo 4th 1880.

The accounts from our Monthly Meetings being present the representatives to this meeting are from No. Kingstown Anna A. Foster and Eliza G. Shurtleff from Providence Malvina R. Foster and Jane C. Chace whose names being called are present except two.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

This Meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the second month next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2mo 3d 1881

The accounts from our Mo. Mtgs. being present the representatives therein named are from South Kingstown Anna A. Foster, and Mary Ann Shove from Providence Malvina R. Foster, and Lydia Mitchell whose names being called were present except two one of whom was prevented from attending by indisposition.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 5th mo next if permitted.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th mo. 3d 1881.

By the accounts received from the Mo. Mtgs. belonging hereto the the representatives therein named are from So. Kingstown Lydia H. Foster and Ann Perry, from Providence Asenath Buffington and Jane C. Chace whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to each from our Mo. Mtgs. as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time

from which the following summary has been compiled, which we forward by our Friends Asenath Buffington Anna A. Foster Jane C. Chace and Lydia H. Foster, whom we appoint our representatives to our ensuing yearly Meeting.

We are informed that Providence Mo. Mtg requests that their Mo. Mtg. should be laid down and its members annexed to So. Kingstown Mo. Mtg. and this Meeting unites with men Friends in complying with their request.

We adjourn purposing to meet at Pawtucket on 8th next
1. Submitted. Ann Peny Clerk.

Summary

Ans 1st Our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended with a few exceptions. The hour nearly observed. Friend endeavor to guard against sleeping & other unbecoming behavior &c.

Ans 2d Love and unity are maintained with one exception detraction generally guarded against, a difference has arisen amongst us towards towards which some care has been extended

Ans 3d useful as to plainness; no pernicious reading that we know of; Friends are examplary herein themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans 4th Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquor except for medicine the frequenting of taverns, and places of public resort, and to keep in true moderation and temperance on the account of births, marriages, burials, and other occasions.

Ans 5th Have amongst needing assistance, no children placed from among friends.

Ans 6th Parents and Heads of families are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans 7th Clear as to the several parts of this query.

Ans 8th Friends are careful to settle their affairs and settle their accounts, punctual to their promises, and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Ans 9th Careful in these respects.

Ans 10th As care rests with Friends to deal with offenders we trust as queried after. No judgment has been given in our Society.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Pawtucket 8mo 4th 1881.

The account from our monthly meeting present and the representatives therein named are Mary S. Collins Eliza G. Sheffield and Ann Perry whose names being called are present.

The queries with the ans to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time

No further business claiming our attention at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 11th month next if permitted. Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 3 1881.

By the account received from our Mo. Mtg. the representatives therein named Ann Perry, Eliza G. Sheffield, and Lydia F. Nichols, whose names being called are present.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of the present state of society have been read at this time.

The adjournment purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 5th mo. next if permitted. Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Pawtucket 2nd mo 2d 1882.

By account from our Monthly meeting being present the representatives therein named are Ann Perry and Anna A. Foster whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of present state of society have been read at this time.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Westerly on the 5th mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of women Friends held at Westerly 5th mo 4th 1882.

By the account from our Mo. Mtg. the representatives therein named are Anna A. Foster, and Lydia H. Foster whose names being called are present

The queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time which we forward with this account to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Elisa G. Sheffield, Ruth A. Crandall, Lydia Mitchell, and Sarah W. Rowan whom we appoint our representatives

Men Friends propose that hereafter the Monthly Meeting be held at Hopkinton on third 1st day and at Westerly the remaining months which is united with by this Meeting.

They also propose that Anna A. Foster and Ann Perry be appointed to the station of elders which is to the Yearly Meeting.

This meeting adjourns purposing to meet again at Pawtucket on the 5th mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

Answers.

Ans 1st Our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended except a few which were prevented by illness and stormy weather one preparative & 9 reports in a week & two have been held since their last account. The hour nearly observed. No sleeping or other unbecoming behavior when met.

Ans. 2 Love and unity appear to be maintained, detraction guarded against. No differences have come to our knowledge

Ans 3. We believe Friends endeavour to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behavior and apparel to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation. and also to be exemplary herein themselves We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans 4th Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine and the frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and to keep in love moderation and temperance on the account of births, marriages, burials and on other occasions.

Ans 5th There are none needing assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th Friends are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans 7th Clear as far as appears.

Ans 8 Careful in those respects.

Ans 9 Friends are careful to have all their births, deaths & burials duly recorded, no removals without certificates.

Ans 10 There has been no disowning or passing judgment since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8th mo 3d 1882.

The account being present from our Monthly Meeting the representatives therein named are Eliza G. Sheffield and Ann Perry whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time

This Meeting is informed that the representatives to the Yearly Meeting were all in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 11th mo if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 2d 1882.

The account from our Mo. Mtg. being present the representatives therein named are Eliza G Sheffield and Jane C. Chace whose names being called are present.

The queries with the answers to the First, Second and Third as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 2d Mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 2 Mo. 1st 1883.

The clerk of the meeting being absent Mary A Gardiner is appointed to that service for the day.

An account from our Mo. Mtg. being present the representatives therein named to attend this meeting are Elias G. Sheffield and Mary A Gardiner whose names being called one is present

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth, as descriptive of our present state of Society have been read at this time.

No further bussiness claiming our attention at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again in the 5th mo next at Westerly if permitted.

Mary A. Gardiner Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women friends held at Westerly 5 mo. 3. 1883.

The accounts from our Monthly Meeting being present the representatives therein named are Lydia H. Foster and Ann Perry whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to each as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time which we forward with this account to our coming Quarterly meeting of our friends Lydia H. Foster, Ann Perry, Anna A. Foster, Mary Ann Shove and Ruth A. Crandall whom we appoint our representatives.

No further bussiness claiming our attention at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the 8 mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

Answers

Ans. 1st All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended except one; the hour generally observed; Friends are preserved from sleeping; of other unbecoming behavior clear.

Ans 2. Love and unity above is maintained; detraction guarded against; no differences that we know of.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Pawtucket 8mo 2. 1883.

The account from our monthly meeting being present the representatives therein named are Anna A. Foster Jane C. Chace and Lydia H. Foster whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been red at this time

This meeting is informed that all the representatives attended the Yearly Meeting except one who was prevented by indisposition.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 11th mo. next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Westerly 11mo 1st 1883.

The account from our Mo. Mtg. being present the representatives therein named are Anna A. Foster and Elvira G. Sheffield whose names being called are present.

The queries with answer to the First Second and Tenth as as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in the second month next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8mo 2 1883.

The account from our Monthly Meeting being present the representatives therein named are Anna A. Foster, Jane C. Chace and Lydia H. Foster whose names being called are present.

We adjourn purposing to meet again at Westerly in the 11th Mo next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11mo 1st 1883.

The account from our Mo. Mtg. being present the representatives therein named are Anna A. Foster and Eliza G. Hazzard whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state of society have been read at this time.

We adjourn purposing to meet at Pawtucket in the second Month next if permitted

Ann Perry Clerk

of Women Friends held at
Pawtucket 8mo 6th 1885.

the queries with answers to the First, Second, and Fifth,

no further business requiring our attention at this

Prud. Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Westerly
11mo 5th 1885

By the account received from the Mtg. the representatives
Sarah F. Wilbur being called one is present.

the queries with the answers to the 1st 2 and 10th as descriptive of our
have been read at this time.

The adjourned purposing to meet again at Pawtucket on the
eight of January next.

A Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends was held at Pawtucket 2mo 4th 1886.

The account being received from our Mo. Mtg. the ones therein named are Mary A. Gardiner and Ann Perry whose names being called are present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

The meeting adjourns, purposing to meet again at Westerly if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk

A Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th mo 6th 1886.

By the account from our Mo. Mtg. the representatives to this meeting, Eliza G. Shaw and Mary Ann Allen, whose names being called are present.

The queries with the answers have been read at this meeting describing the present state of this Mo. which is forwarded by the minutes to our friends Eliza G. Hoffman, Ann Perry, Ann A. Field and Ruth B. Crandall whom we appoint representatives to our approaching Yearly Meeting to be held at Westerly.

The adjournment purposing to meet again at Pawtucket in 8th mo. next if permitted.

Ann Perry Clerk

A Rhode Island Quarterly Mtg. of Women Friends held at Pawtucket 8mo 5th 1886

By the account received from South Kingston Mo. Mtg. the representatives therein named Lydia H. Nichols Anna A. Foster and Ann Perry whose names being called are present.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women held at Westerly [illegible] 1856.

[illegible] account the representatives to this [illegible] Hopkinton & Richmond & Exeter & Scituate & Smithfield were [illegible] being called as present.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as discipline of [illegible] of Friends

[illegible] Friends propose that the next meeting be [illegible] at Westerly [illegible] the 3rd [illegible] months which will be held at Hopkinton, united with [illegible] meeting.

[illegible] in the Lord must if permitted.

Asa Fenner Clerk

held at Pawtucket 2d mo. 3. 1854.

The queries with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of the present state of our society have been read at this time.

5th mo. 1st

Minutes Every Week.

held at Uxbridge 5th mo. 5th 1854.

The queries with answers to the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth as descriptive of the present state of our society have been read at this time.

6th mo. 1st

Minutes Every Week.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women
held at Pawtucket 8th mo. 4th 1887.

By the usual method of [illegible] Meeting the representatives to this Meeting are Ann Peirce

[illegible]

The representatives to the Yearly Meeting [illegible]

[illegible]

Queries have been read at this time with answers to the first, second and tenth as descriptive of our present condition.

No further business coming before us at this time we adjourn further to meet again at Westerly 9 mo 11th mo. next if permitted.

Ann Peirce Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo. 3rd 1887.

By the usual method of [illegible] Meeting the representatives to this Meeting are Ann Peirce and Eliza G. [illegible] names being called are present.

Anna S. Foster and Lydia H. Nichols are appointed a committee to bring in names for [illegible] our next Quarterly Meeting.

[illegible] Meeting [illegible]
[illegible] George Foster, Ruth A. Crandall and [illegible] be appointed to the station of Elders with this Meeting united with—

The Queries [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Queries passing to [illegible] at Pawtucket [illegible] 9th mo. next if permitted

[illegible] Peirce Clerk.

[illegible] Kennett Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends

[illegible]

present it appears the representatives therein named are Elizabeth P. Foster and Emma A. E. Perry, whose names [illegible]

The committee appointed to bring forward names for Clerk and assistant Clerk proposed the name of Mary B. Foster for Clerk, and Elizabeth P. Foster for assistant which [illegible] and they are appointed to those stations for the year ensuing — or until others are appointed.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

No further business coming before us we adjourn further to meet at Westtown in 5th mo. next if permitted.

[illegible]

At a Women Friends Quarterly Meeting held at Westtown [illegible] held at Westtown 5th mo. 3rd 1888.

By the account received from South King[illegible] monthly meeting, it appears the representatives named [illegible] Elizabeth Sheffield, Ann Perry and Ruth A. Crandall whose names being called all are present,

The queries succeeded by answers to each have been read at this time, which we forward with this account to [illegible] by our Friends Emma A. Foster, Eliza E. Sheffield, Ann Perry, Eliza Browning and [illegible] Representatives.

[illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] this time, we adjourn further to meet [illegible] in 8th mo. next if permitted.

[illegible]

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[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women [illegible]
held at Pawtucket 8th mo. 2nd 1883

By the account from South [illegible]
[illegible] the representatives named to attend this [illegible]
viz. Ruth A. Crandall and [illegible] Perry whose names were
called one is present -

[illegible]

Yearly Meeting report all in attendance,

The queries with answers [illegible]
viz. [illegible] were read at this [illegible],

No further business coming [illegible] this [illegible]
adjourn, purposing to meet again at Westerly [illegible]
if permitted,

[illegible]

[illegible]

By the report received from [illegible] meeting it appears [illegible] representatives
named to attend this meeting [illegible] Lydia
C. Mary A. Gardner, whose names being called are [illegible].

The queries succeeded by answers to the first, second
and tenth have been read at this time,

No further business claiming our attention [illegible]
[illegible] to meet at Pawtucket in
2nd mo. next if permitted.

[illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth 1st mo. 7th 1889.

[illegible] belonging to the [illegible] Meeting, [illegible] Mary A. Gardner, who are all present.

The queries with answers to those named at this time have been read.

As the term for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed has expired; the subject has claimed the attention of Friends at this time, and they are united in the appointment of those now in that service for the year ensuing or until others are appointed.

This meeting concludes to meet at Westerly in 3 mos. next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster. Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at [illegible]

By the account received from our Monthly Meeting it appears the representatives named to attend this [illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] present.

The queries with answers to same [illegible] read. We have [illegible] to [illegible] Monthly Meetings [illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible] Friends [illegible] to report [illegible] Yearly Meeting [illegible]

Answers

Ans. 1st [illegible] our meetings [illegible] discipline have been held, except [illegible]

felt its guard against detraction, No difference apparent.

parents would be desirable, We believe that the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th — Friends are careful as to the use of Spirituous liquors; No frequenting of taverns or places of public

on most occasions.

Ans. 5th — None needing assistance, No children

Ans. 6th — We believe that parents and heads of families, with the young and unmarried, are

conformable to discipline,

out of Society which is under care.

their affairs and settle their accounts, punctual to

their promises, and just in the payment of their debts, also careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

5th mo. 9th — Careful as to records,
No removals without certificates.

[illegible] but way has not opened for placing judgment [illegible] at present.

No further business demanding attention at the present time, this meeting concludes, to meet at the usual time and place in 8th mo. next if permitted,

Mary C. Foster Clerk.

24th Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth 9th mo. 12th 1887.

[illegible] Monthly Meeting it appears the representatives named [illegible] for the ensuing year [illegible] present.

The queries with answers to the first, second and fourth as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

Anna A. Foster reported the representatives [illegible] Monthly Meeting were all in attendance.

[illegible] for Quarterly Meeting [illegible] four Monthly Meetings [illegible] Quarterly Meeting.

[illegible] Mary C. Foster Clerk.

held at Westerly 11th mo. 7th 1889.

The queries have been read, accompanied by answers to those usual at this time.

Having transacted the business of this meeting conclude purposing to meet at Pawtucket in 2nd mo.

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th, mo. 12th 1870.

[illegible]

[illegible] this meeting are Ruth P. Crandall, Ann Perry, [illegible]

[illegible] and minutes have been read, united with and forward to the ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Olivia P. Sheffield, Anna P. Foster, Ruth P. Crandall, Abby P. Gardner and Irene C. Chace whom we appoint to represent this meeting - and they are requested to report of their attendance when and next assemble.

Signing our attention was made, to meet at the usual time and place in 8th mo. next if permitted.

Abby P. Foster, Clerk.

[illegible] 12th [illegible]

[illegible] Epistles have been read, which are small meetings for worship which are not held up and on Meeting for worship, when [illegible] are generally attended by most members [illegible] of ability to do so. There has been improvement in the attendance of the week day meetings but are yet entirely neglected. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] unbecoming behavior noticed.

[illegible] maintained
and some care [illegible] against detraction,
[illegible] apparent.

Ans. 3rd Some care is exercised in regard to plainness
of speech, behavior and apparel; and to discourage
[illegible]

[illegible] the best of our knowledge
[illegible]
as properly said in the Discipline.

Ans. 4th We believe that Friends are careful
[illegible]
of taverns or places of public resort.
Moderation and temperance generally observed
on most occasions.

Ans. 5th None meeting resistance, no children
heard from as only Friends.

[illegible]
with respect to marriage be conformable
[illegible] line.

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] manner, and just in the payment of
[illegible]
of their circumstances.

clerk. 9th Voted to record, 10 minutes without objection.

The 11th, Voted it felt to deal with offenders, [illegible] according to discipline.

[illegible]

The record [illegible] present at address the Board struck appointed [illegible]

The record with answers to the 1st 2nd and 11th [illegible]

The representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting report they were all in attendance.

No further business coming before us we adjourn to meet at Westerly in 11th month next if permitted.

[illegible]

at Rhode Island Quarterly [illegible] Friends held at Westerly [illegible]

By the account from the monthly meeting [illegible] appointed the ministers attended the meeting are Anna N. Baker and Emma V. Allen both of whom are present.

[illegible] Friends time the [illegible] of our Friend Eliza N. Harvey who has presented a

Friends held at Bloomfield Ontario Canada
2d mo 18th 1890. stating that she is a minister
in unity with them, and expressing their unity

with us in our religious views and practices
request to sign a copy of a minute our Quarterly
this meeting in connection with the same

our present state have been read at this time,

2nd mo. next if permitted.

Mary J. Carter Clerk.

At Friends Island Quarterly meeting of Women
Friends held at Pawtucket 2nd mo 18th 90.

The account from our Monthly meeting being

Lucia Sheffield with are present,

The queries
have been read

to further business

[illegible] Rock Grove Quarterly Meeting of Women
[illegible] 15th mo 11th 1871.

[illegible] account received from our Monthly Meeting
[illegible] the representatives named [illegible] attend
[illegible] meeting are Emma A. Baxter, Lydia B. Arnold
[illegible] Martha B. Sheffield all of whom are [illegible],

[illegible] queries answered by answers to each
[illegible] have been read,
which with this account we forward to the
ensuing Yearly Meeting by our friends Ruth A. Frame
Emma A. Baxter, Ann Perry, Mary J. Gardner,
Olga Downing and Mary J. Hall who are
appointed to represent this meeting and they are
[illegible]
and return.

Answers.

1st. All our meetings for religious worship
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
meetings in the middle of the week not as well
attended, [illegible] seem is mostly well observed
by most friends. Mostly preserved from sleep,
[illegible] other unbecoming behavior,

2nd. 2nd Love and unity appear
[illegible] maintained, and some care felt to guard
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
to discourage [illegible] reading and evil
conversation, but we feel that more care is
[illegible] needful in these

... the part of some parents would tend to ...
... strengthen and promote the spiritual growth of ...
... the Church, we believe that the Holy Scriptures ...

... taverns or places of ...

... spirituous

Ans. 5th Some meaning assistance, to children ...
... and some among friends,

Ans. 6th We believe that parents and heads of ...
... families with the young and unmarried ... and ...
... encourage them and ... with ...
... marriage be conformable to discipline.

Ans. 7th We believe that meet Friends are concerned ...
... to maintain their testimony in the several parts ...

Ans. 8th Friends are thought to be careful to meet ...
... payment of their ...
... debts, and ... in case ...
... of their circumstances,

Ans. 9th Careful as to records, One Friend ...

... other instances of learning to ... in a station ...
... from it meet ... particular ...

[illegible]

By the report received from the monthly meeting held at Ackworth, held at Ackworth the representatives named [illegible]

[illegible]

answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th queries descriptive of present state,

A Copy of Minutes on behalf of the [illegible]

[illegible]

A further minute claiming our attention at this time, we conclude further to meet at Pontefract on 11th mo. next if permitted.

[illegible]

Extracted from Minutes of Monthly Meeting held at Pontefract, 11th mo. 5th 1891.

The account from our Quarterly Meeting held at Ackworth the representatives named [illegible] and the minutes [illegible] also the [illegible] were read -

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th were read at this time,

[illegible]

Friends held at Pawtucket 2nd mo. 4th 1892.

[illegible] account received from [illegible]
Monthly Meeting, it appears the representatives
appointed to attend this meeting are Emma A. Baxter,
Mary P. Baxter and Elmira W. Baxter who
[illegible]

[illegible] as the exercising of our present state have been
[illegible]

The time for which the Clerks
[illegible]
the year ensuing were deferred until 5th mo. next.

No further business claiming our attention we
[illegible]
next if permitted,

Mary P. Baxter, Clerk.

[illegible]

Of Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends
Friends held at Westerly 5th mo. 5th 1892.

[illegible]
to attend this meeting are, Ann Peace, Lydia C.
Nichols and Abby D. Gardner who are all present.

[illegible]

Friends,

[illegible] meetings [illegible] small meetings [illegible] meetings [illegible] are usually [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] and to all of which
all proceedings with respect to marriage might be
conformable to discipline.

Ans. 7th We believe that most of our members are
[illegible] the
several parts of this query, Some instances of
attending the meetings of other denominations.

Ans 8th Friends are thought to be careful to inspect
[illegible]
into, and [illegible] to live within the bounds of
their circumstances.

Ans. 9th Careful as to records, No removals
without certificates.

Ans. 10th We believe a care remains with Friends
[illegible]
[illegible]
disposition being united with by this meeting
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] that there was no Publ[illegible] for
[illegible]
[illegible] proving to meet again the 8th
[illegible]
[illegible]

Friends held at Westerly 6th mo. 4th 1892.

The account from our Monthly Meeting being present it appears the representatives appointed [illegible] and Anna C. Chace all of whom are present.

The queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and tenth describing our present state have been read.

[illegible]

They were all in attendance at our late Yearly meeting.

No further business coming before us we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in 11th mo. next if permitted

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 11th mo 8th 1892.

The account received from South Kingston Monthly meeting states the representatives named to attend this Meeting are Ruth A. Crandall, Clara Foster and Lydia F. Nichols, all in attendance.

[illegible]

answers to the first, second and tenth as descriptive of our present state.

[illegible]

At a Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Westerly 2nd mo. 2nd 1893.

The account from our Monthly Meeting being read it appears the representatives named at that meeting are, Eunice B. Nichols and Elizabeth P. [illegible] prevented from attending on account of illness.

The queries with answers to the first [illegible]

Claiming our attention at this time we adjourn [illegible] to meet at this place in fifth month next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 5th mo. 4th 1893.

The account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states the representatives named to attend this meeting are, Ruth A. Crandall and Anna A. Foster, both are present.

The queries succeeded by answers to each, describing our present state have been read, which with this account we forward to the evening Yearly Meeting by our friends Anna A. Foster, Ellen W. Hatfield, Abby W. Gardner and Anna H. Chace [illegible] appointed to represent this meeting [illegible] are requested to report of their attendance when we next assemble.

Answers to Queries.

One. 1st Day [illegible] meetings for religious worship [illegible]

when of ability to do so. The meetings in the [illegible] of meeting pretty well observed by most Friends, mostly preserved from sleep & other unbecoming behaviour when assembled.

One 2nd — Love and unity appear to be in a good degree maintained, and endeavors used to guard against detraction, & no differences have been brought to our notice.

One 3rd — Some care is exercised in regard to plainness of [illegible] and attendance to meetings for [illegible] reading and edifying conversation; yet it is felt that a deeper concern, and more care in regard to these requirements, also a better example on the part of some Parents, and some other members would be a help to the dear young Friends, and tend to strengthen and promote the spiritual growth of the Church. We believe that the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

One 4th — Friends are believed to be careful as to the use of spirituous liquors, & to frequenting of taverns & places of public resort. Moderation & temperance generally observed.

One 5th — None of our members appear [illegible] at this time, & when [illegible] liable by turning, [illegible] from our Friends.

One 6th — We know not but Parents and heads of families [illegible] and concerned are careful that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

[illegible] maintain their testim[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

Women Friends held at Westerly 8th mo. 3rd 1875.

The account received from South Kingstown
[illegible] to attend this meeting [illegible]
for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

The queries have been read in this meeting
followed by answers to the first [illegible]
describing our present state.

The representatives report
they were all in attendance at our late Yearly Meeting
except one who was prevented by illness.

[illegible] coming before us to claim attention at a given
time, [illegible] meet at this place in eleventh month
next if permitted,

Mary G. Foster Clerk.

[illegible] 11th mo. 2nd 1875.

The account received from South Kingstown
[illegible] to attend this meeting [illegible]
and Clara Foster all of whom are present—

The queries have been read
in this meeting followed by answers to the first
[illegible] as they extend,

[illegible]

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting [illegible]
[illegible] Meeting held at [illegible] R.I.

By the account received from South Kingstown
[illegible] Meeting it appears that Mary H. Collins and
Mary A. Gardner were appointed to attend this meeting
as representatives and both are in attendance,

The queries have been
[illegible] this meeting followed by answers to the first
[illegible]

This meeting is informed that the Select meeting
held at South Kingston on the 2nd instant united
in recommending that we acknowledge the gift in
public appearance in the ministry of Mary A. Gardner,

After due consideration the [illegible]
been united with by this meeting - Her Friends
[illegible]

No further business
coming before us we adjourn to meet
again in Fifth month next to be held at this
place,

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

[illegible] Quarterly meeting of Women
Friends held at Westerly 5th mo. 2nd 1894.

[illegible] Mary A. Gardner informed this meeting
[illegible] attend this
meeting in gospel love and [illegible] of
whom she is present,

The queries succeeded
[illegible] as descriptive of our present
[illegible] approved of this meeting and [illegible]
the [illegible] Yearly meeting [illegible] Mary
A. Foster, Eliza H. Clarke, Ruth H. Anderson
and Hannah P. Rice are appointed to
represent their Friendly care at next assemble,

Answers to Queries

Ans. 1st All our meetings for religious worship [illegible] are usually attended by most [illegible] when of ability to do so. Our meetings [illegible] well attended, & the [illegible] pretty well observed by most Friends, pretty preserved from sleep or other unbecoming behavior when assembled.

Ans. 2nd Love and unity appear to be in a good degree maintained, and endeavors used to guard against detraction. No differences have come to our notice.

Ans 3rd We believe that some Friends are concerned that our testimonies should be maintained in regard to plainness of speech behavior and apparel, frequent retirement and the sacredness conversation of the world, also to be good examples ourselves, but deviations are appearing amongst us. We believe that our Queries are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th We believe that Friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, also that unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort. We desire to have moderation and temperance.

Ans. 5th None needing assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th Parents and heads of families, with the [illegible] married are thought to be careful [illegible] marriage with respect to marriages conformable to our discipline.

Anc. 7th We believe that most of our members are concerned to maintain their testimony in the several parts of this county, by a diligent attendance of their meetings,

Anc. 8th Friends are thought to be careful to inspect their offspring and settle their accounts, according to their circumstances and just ability, and have a care to live within the bounds of their circumstances,

Anc. 9th Careful as to records,
No removals without certificates,

Anc. 10th No dealing, or placing of judgment since our last account,

The meeting directs the clerk to inform the Yearly Meeting that we believe a gift in the ministry has been entered upon by Mary A. Gratton, but there having arisen among Friends that this gift should be acknowledged this meeting is clear of giving forth in the aforesaid manner at present, but leaves Friends united in recommending her to the notice of the Lord,

The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed having expired, Friends are united in the reappointment of those now in that service for the year ensuing or until another appointment,

No further business coming before us we adjourn purposing to meet at this place on 6th month next 1st day morning,

Jesse L. Clarke Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at South Kingstown 3rd 18th.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly
Meeting it appears the representatives named to
attend this meeting are Lydia H. Nichols and
Mary W. Gardner whose names being called both are
present.

The queries have been read in this meeting
answered by the Overseers of the first, second and
fourth Meetings and present state,

and the representatives
named to attend our next Yearly meeting, reported they
were all in attendance the first day, after which
they were released.

We are furnished with a certificate
from Sandwich monthly meeting - Massachusetts -
Minding for [illegible] and the Ministry and
and perform such other service within its limits as
Truth may require - Which service are united
with by this meeting and the Clerk is directed to
sign a certified minute in compliance with
their request.

[illegible]
at this time we adjourn, to meet in this place
at the usual time in eleventh month next if
permitted

Signed

Martha B. Sheffield and Eunice B. Nichols all of

Voted unanimously by sisters
Such as descriptive of our present state have been
read and approved by this meeting and we transfer
the same to the minutes of Yearly Meeting by our

Mary A. Gardner and Nina E. Chace whom we
appoint to represent this meeting and [illegible]
a report of this attendance when we next assemble.

Signed

Minute from Preparative Meeting held at Fairhaven
Fifth day, Second month 22nd 1900.

Voted unanimously by sisters
present that our testimonies should be maintained
in regard to plainness of speech behavior and

Ans. 3rd

We believe that some Friends are concerned that our Testimonies should be maintained in regard to [illegible] reading and the corrupt conversation of the world, and [illegible] deviations apparent amongst us we feel that more care, and a deeper concern, on the part of others would be [illegible]

Ans. 4th

We know not but clear in the several parts of this query

Ans. 5th

We [illegible] their necessities relieved.
No children placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th

One case of keeping company with prospect of marriage with one not in membership.

[illegible] their [illegible] this query. Some instances of attending

We notice the records are attended to. by
time.

Yearly Returns.

Reading of judgment since our last account.

No further business coming on at Century of this time we consider it meet that there
in eight months next be appointed.

Present Sarah Smith Emily Smith of Lincoln
Wendell Field at Westerly the sixth of eighth month
appointed to attend this meeting are Anna A. Irish,
Martha D. Litchfield and Emma W. Chace whose
names being called all are present.

The records have been read in this
meeting followed by answers to the first, second
and tenth describing our present state.

Emma W. Chace on behalf of the representatives
whereto they were addressed in attendance at our last
Yearly Meeting.

No further business claiming our
attention this meeting is adjourned.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the 5th of seventh month 1876.

[illegible] Saline [illegible]

The queries have been read in this meeting [illegible] first, second and tenth respectively.

No further business coming before us we conclude further to meet again in second month [illegible]

Mary P. Carter Clerk.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the 4th of second month 1877.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting was read & shows the representatives are [illegible] and Elizabeth P. Carter whose names [illegible]

The queries have been read in this meeting [illegible] by answers to the first, second and tenth [illegible]

[illegible] next at this place in fifth month next if [illegible]

[illegible] Clerk.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting being present it appears the representatives named to attend this meeting are Ruth W. Hazard, Mary H. Collins and Lydia H. Nichols. All are present except one who was prevented from attending on account of serious illness in her family.

The queries have been read at this time and [illegible] state and we forward the same to our ensuing

The time for which the clerks were appointed to serve this meeting has expired, and

reappointment of Mary J. Easton as Clerk and Emma V. Chace as assistant Clerk for the year ensuing, or until another appointment.

Answers to the several Queries

[illegible] and but there is a shameful neglect on the part of some in the attendance of week day meetings and some for business the hour is passing pretty near when by most Friends, some instances of sleeping,

Ans. 2nd

that detraction is guarded against in a good degree,
No difference have come to our notice.

herein themselves, but from the many deviations
would tend to an increase of strength. We believe
the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families

We think that Friends are careful to avoid the
use of Spirituous liquors except for medicine, also

From among Friends.

Ans 6th

[illegible]

[illegible] 9th

[illegible] are attended.

[illegible] certificate.

[illegible]

We believe that a concern is felt [illegible]
offenders should be dealt with according to Discipline,
yet there has been some [illegible] attention,
[illegible] be desirable.

No hearing of judgment since our last account.

[illegible]
attention at this time we adjourn [illegible] meet
at this place on [illegible] if permitted
[illegible] Exeter Clerk.

[illegible]
held at Westerly the 5th of 8th month 1897.

[illegible] monthly meeting being present
[illegible] tives named to attend this
meeting [illegible] and
Elizabeth [illegible] Exeter whose names being called two are
[illegible]

The queries have been read in this meeting
followed by answers to the first, second and third
are descriptive of our present state.

[illegible]
[illegible] many meeting one of them reported they were all
in [illegible] unity.

No further business claiming attention
at this time we conclude [illegible]
place in eleventh month next [illegible]

[illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the 4th of 9th month 1897.

[illegible] present it appears the representatives named to attend this meeting are Mary A. Gardner and [illegible] present.

[illegible] descriptive of our present state.

[illegible] at this place in 2nd month next if permitted.

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 2nd mo. 3rd 1898.

[illegible] meeting it appears the representatives named attend this meeting are Anna H. Grace and [illegible] whose name being called one is present.

[illegible] meeting followed by answers to the first, second and tenth describing our present state.

No further business claiming attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in fifth month next if permitted.

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

Mary A. Gardner be appointed to that service for the day—

The account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting being present it appears that the representatives from that meeting are Lydia F. Nichols, Mary A. Gardner and Elizabeth P. Foster whose names being called are all present,

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to each as descriptive of our present state, which are forwarded with an account to our ensuing [illegible] meeting by our friends Eliza F. Browning, Lydia H. Gardner, Martha B. Littlefield and Lydia F. Nichols whom we appoint our representatives and they [illegible]

Answers to the several Queries.

1st Query

[illegible] attended by a portion of our members when health permitted, but the week day meetings and some of those for business are neglected [illegible] well observed [illegible]

2nd Query

[illegible] and with us chiefly maintained [illegible]

far as we know, We find that Education is guarded against in a good degree, No Instances have been brought to our notice,

Ans 3rd

We believe there is a care and concern still resting with some Friends that our testimonies may not be entirely forsaken, but may be maintained in regard to plainness of speech behavior and apparel, pernicious reading and the corrupt conversation of the world, and is [illegible] the many deviations which appear among us we can but feel that more care, and a deeper concern to be found faithful is needful on the part of others, We believe that the Holy [illegible] read in Friends families,

Ans 4th

We think that Friends are careful avoid the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, nor the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, And to keep in moderation and temperance [illegible],

[illegible]

[illegible] to be disowned from among Friends,

Ans 6th

We [illegible] in the several parts of this yearly,

[illegible]

There are some instances of attending [illegible],

Ans 5th

Clear as far as we know,

Ans 6th

We believe care is exercised in regard to the records, & no removal without certificate in which case some care has been extended,

[illegible]

[illegible] among us that offenders should be dealt with as required in Discipline, & the issuing of Judgment since our last account.

[illegible] again at this place in 8th month next if permitted.

Signed

Clerk for the [illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly [illegible]
Of Friends held at West[illegible] 8th mo.
1898.

By the account from the monthly [illegible] are informed that the representatives [illegible] are Lydia P. Tillinghast, [illegible] Abigail Gardner, whose names [illegible] the representatives to our Yearly [illegible] & they were all in attendance,

[illegible] queries with answers to the [illegible] and forth as descriptive of our present state have been [illegible].

Friends a minute from South Kingstown monthly meeting Liberty to visit the meetings of the Rapid Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas Yearly meetings within their limits as way opens, Thomas Tribble made known with the same is directed to certify on copy of the minute.

are at this time acceptably engaged and against the 2nd day of the eleventh month next at 2 o'clock P.M.

Mary P. Tatum Clerk.

At Whole Friends Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport the 8th of 8th month 1878.

By the account from South Kingstown monthly meeting we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are Abby N. Gardner and Lydia F. Nichols whose names being called both are present.

The queries with answers to the first, second and tenth as descriptive of our present state have been read at this time.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the second of second month - 1899.

The queries from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting were read and the answers to attend this meeting are Mary A. Gardner and Elizabeth P. Foster whose names being called both are present.

The queries were read in this meeting with answers to the first, second and tenth descriptive of our present state.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude, purposing to meet at this place on fifth month next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster, Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the fourth of fifth month 1899.

[illegible]

The queries have been read in [illegible] forward with an account to our ensuing Yearly meeting by our friends Ally W. [illegible]

[illegible]

Line 1st

All our meetings, for worship and Discipline
since our last account except two have been held,
[illegible]
[illegible] In general our members
are diligent in the attendance of all meetings when
of ability to do so, but the week-day meetings, and
some of those for business are neglected by some.
The hour is generally pretty well observed
by most Friends. Silence mostly preserved from
[illegible] during the meeting season.

Line 2nd.

Love and unity chiefly maintained as far as our
knowledge extends. We trust tattle detraction
is guarded against in a good degree. No differences
have been brought to our notice.

Line 3rd.

We believe that a care and concern is still
[illegible] that our children may
not be forsaken in regard to plainness of
speech, behavior and apparel, pernicious reading
and the corrupt conversation of the world, also
to be good examples herein themselves, but when
[illegible]
[illegible]
are frequently read in Friends families.

Line 4th.

We believe that Friends avoid the use of spirituous
liquors except [illegible] necessary
frequenting of taverns and places of public resort,
[illegible]
[illegible] occasions.

Ans. 5th

We believe care is taken to relieve such as need assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6th

Clear as far as we know in the several parts of this query.

Ans.

There are some instances of attending meetings where there is a paid ministry. We believe clear in all of the parts of this query.

Ans.

Most Friends are, we believe careful as to the several parts of this query, but we feel that more care on the part of some, to live within the bounds of their circumstances would have been better.

Ans. 9th

We believe careful in regard to records, as to our members who has removed to reside within the limits of Philadelphia Yearly meeting and desire to retain her membership with us, which has been granted by the Monthly Meeting.

Ans. 10th

We believe there is a concern yet remaining amongst us that offenders should be dealt with according to the requirements of discipline. No instance of dealing or passing of judgment since our last account.

We are informed that our friend John W. Foster has performed the visit proposed to several Yearly meetings to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind. The reading

of the [illegible] minute printed [illegible]
Eighth [illegible] to 1895 as Entered [illegible]
Meeting.

Then Friends inform me that our
Friend [illegible] M. Foster has laid a
concern before this meeting to attend [illegible]
Yearly Meeting - the meetings comprising it
to visit most of the families and also appoint
some meetings among those not of our religious
Society - as expressed in a minute of unity
extracted from [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
a certificate prepared for him by them Friends
on behalf of the meeting.

No further business
coming attention at this time we adjourn
[illegible] to meet at this place in Eighth
month next if [illegible].

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends
held at Westerly the third of eighth month
1899.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting
[illegible] informed that [illegible] to this meeting [illegible]
[illegible] present, Agnes H. Manchester [illegible]
[illegible] being called all are present.

The minutes have been read in this meeting [illegible]
answers to the first, second and tenth describing our
present state.

The time for which the Clerks were appointed
by this meeting having expired, Friends are
united in the reappointment of those now in that
service for the year ensuing & until another appointment.

[illegible] to our late Yearly

meeting report that they were all in attendance.

No further business claiming attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet at this place in eleventh month next if permitted.

Mary L. Exeter Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the second of eleventh month 1899.

The report from South Kingstown Monthly meeting [illegible] informs the representatives appointed [illegible] meeting are [illegible] and they [illegible] all are present.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the first, second and tenth describing our present state.

[illegible] returned a certificate granted him by South Kingstown Monthly Meeting in seventh month 1898 and endorsed by this meeting [illegible] and also Minutes granted and presented at this meeting returning [illegible] Western, Iowa and Kansas Yearly Meetings, which with the subordinate meetings concerning [illegible] meeting visits to be attended - Expressive of their unity with his ministry and religious engagements within their limits. He having accomplished said visits to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind,

He also returned the minute granted him in fifth month last and presented a minute from Canada Yearly Meeting [illegible] unity with his religious engagements among them and informed us that he visited more than one hundred families, traveling four hundred miles by carriage in addition to [illegible] the first time in some places it felt [illegible] there was much life, while in others the service was [illegible] but they were favored to

[illegible] exact [illegible]
[illegible] minutes [illegible]
[illegible] Quarterly Meeting [illegible]
[illegible] meeting to meet again at the
place in second month next if permitted.
Mary J. Foster Clerk.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women
[illegible]

[illegible] Quarterly
Meeting it appears the representatives named to
attend this meeting are Mary A. Gardner, Lydia H. Nichols
and Mary [illegible] Tucker whose names being called
all are present.

[illegible]
[illegible] answers [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Meeting all [illegible]
at this time, we conclude purposing to meet at this
place on fifth month [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women
Friends held at Westerly third of Fifth [illegible]
1900.

[illegible] Quarterly
Meeting it appears the representatives named
[illegible]
[illegible]
two Friends who were absent.

The queries succeeded by answers to each,
[illegible]
descriptive [illegible]
approaching [illegible]
Foster, [illegible]

requested to report their attendance when we next assemble.

[illegible] the quiet and orderly seating [illegible] the public meetings during our next Yearly Meeting were made and appeared, [illegible] and Mary P. Foster were appointed to serve as such from this meeting. [illegible] see below — No further business claiming our [illegible] met again at this place in Eighth month next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster Clerk.

Answers to the several queries.

[illegible] those for discipline have been duly held since our [illegible] the [illegible] for the year, [illegible] were present or record of [illegible] of our members are diligent in the attendance of all meetings when of ability [illegible] of the important duty on week days and in the attendance of some of the business meetings.

The hour is generally pretty well observed by most Friends.

Friends are mostly preserved from [illegible] of the unbecoming fashions [illegible]

Love and unity are we think mostly maintained as far as appears. We believe detraction is measurably avoided, No differences have been brought to our notice.

[illegible]

appear, viz: that meetings reading and the [illegible] good example therein themselves, but the many deviations apparent amongst us cause us to feel that more care and a deeper concern to be found faithful is wanting on the part of others,

We think that the Holy Scriptures are [illegible]

Ans. 4th

We believe that the use of spirituous liquors is avoided by Friends except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort and [illegible] and liquors [illegible]

Ans. 5th

The necessities of the poor are relieved.
No children are placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6th

Clear as far as appears in the several parts of this query.

Ans. 7th

There are some of our members who at times attend meetings where [illegible] clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans. 8th

[illegible] and the several parts of this query and we hope Friends are careful to observe them.

Ans. 9th

We think the records are attended to.
[illegible]

Ans. 10th

We believe that a concern is felt by some Friends that offenders should be dealt with according to [illegible], yet we feel that more timely attention and a deeper concern would be desirable.
No dealing or passing of judgment since our last account.

[illegible] Friends held at Westerly the [illegible]

[illegible] our 2 [illegible] the Quarterly Meeting [illegible] Representatives [illegible] attend the meeting on [illegible] being called all [illegible] are present.

[illegible] Representatives to our late Yearly Meeting reported they were in attendance.

The queries followed by answers to the first, second and tenth have been read at this time.

The Caretakers appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting were in attendance at the Yearly Meeting and performed their duties.

[illegible] which this Meeting is now expired, Friends are united in the [illegible] of this Meeting for the year ensuing or until another appointment.

No further business coming [illegible] it is [illegible] if permitted.

Mary J. Easton, Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport [illegible]

Mary Ann Pitcher and Elizabeth P. Foster.

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the first, second [illegible].

There being no further business to [illegible] attention at this time we conclude [illegible] purposing to meet again at this place in second month next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster Clerk.

Friends held at Westerly the seventh of second

[illegible] meeting are Abby N. Gardner and Mary E. Collins whose names being called one is present, and one was prevented from attending by the severity of the weather.

The queries have been read at this time, followed by answers to the first second and tenth as descriptive of our present state.

[illegible] up for consideration this meeting adjourns, purposing to meet again at this place in fifth month next if permitted.

Mary P. Foster Clerk.

Friends held at Westerly 2nd of 5th month

[illegible]

[illegible] who are all present.

The queries with answers to each have been read at this time, - which being considered descriptive of the present state of society - We forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our friends [illegible] Lydia E. Nichols & Martha B. Sheffield [illegible] and they are requested to report their attendance [illegible].

The proposition from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting to appoint Lydia E. Nichols to the station of Elder has been considered and united with by this meeting, and she is to be one accordingly. Mary A. Gardner is requested to inform the Select Meeting of this appointment.

Answers to the several queries

[illegible] have [illegible] work [illegible] are present at [illegible] account of the funeral of a member. Those on First days are generally attended by most of our [illegible] and some of the business meetings [illegible] Reserved by most Friends. Friends are [illegible] received from each, [illegible] Dear when met.

Ans 2nd Love and unity are we believe chiefly maintained.
We think detraction is measurably avoided.
No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans 3rd We believe that some Friends amongst us feel a care that our testimonies in regard to plainness of speech, behavior and apparel may be maintained, also that pernicious reading and the corrupt conversation of the world may be avoided, and to be good examples [illegible] but [illegible] cause us to feel that more care is needful on the part of others. We think that the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans 4th We think the use of spirituous liquors is avoided by Friends except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort — and that Friends keep in moderation and temperance [illegible].

Ans 5th [illegible] are placed from among Friends.

Ans 6th [illegible]
One case of keeping company with prospect of marriage with one not a member with us.

Ans 7th [illegible] there is a paid ministry. We think clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans 8th We believe most Friends are careful in the several parts of this query, but feel there is some want of care to live within the bounds of circumstances.

Ans 9th Careful as to records, No removals without certificate

[illegible] should be dealt with as required by Discipline, but [illegible] concern is needful. No minute or judgment since our last account.

No other business coming before us for consideration, we conclude purposing to meet at this place in eighth month next if permitted.

Wm. J. Potts Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Newport the first of 4th month 1901.

The record from the Quarterly meeting being present it states the representatives [illegible] Peter [illegible] and Phebe A. Chase and Ruth A. Peckham. The names being called all are present.

The Friends named as representatives to our late Yearly Meeting report that they were in attendance.

The case has been [illegible] in the meeting [illegible] answers to the first query and the [illegible] present state.

The time for which the Clerks of this meeting were appointed to serve, having expired - the subject has been considered, and Friends are united in the judgment of [illegible] in that service for the year ensuing is united another appointment.

No further business claiming attention at this time we conclude, purposing to meet at this place in eighth month next if permitted.

Wm. J. Potts Clerk.

[illegible]

The account from our Monthly Meeting being present [illegible] to this meeting are Mary F. Collins, Martha B. Sheffield [illegible] Ruth P. Foster [illegible] were present with us this morning, all from standing by illness.

[illegible] this meeting followed by answers to the first second and tenth descriptive of our present state.

The proposition from the [illegible] to appoint George C. Foster and [illegible] the station of Elder was united with by this meeting, and also has the unity of our Friends. — One of our Select members is requested to inform the Select meeting of this [illegible].

No further business claiming attention at this time we conclude, purposing to meet at this place in second month next if permitted.

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly 1st & 2nd of second month 1902

By the account from our Monthly Meeting at which are the representatives named to attend this meeting are Lydia G. Nichols, Abby W. Gardner and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] month discussing our present state.

No further business coming before us at this time, we conclude, purposing to meet again at this place in fifth month next if permitted.

[illegible] Foster Clerk.

[illegible] Quarterly [illegible] of Women Friends held at Piscataway the first of fifth month 1902.

By the account from South Amboy Monthly Meeting it appears the representatives named to attend this meeting are, Libby N. Gardner, Mary Ann Pitcher and Martha B. Sheppard whose names being called they are present.

[illegible] meeting, our condition at this time—have [illegible] attended to this meeting. The answers are forwarded to the approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Libby N. Gardner, [illegible] Cape Island Monthly Meeting [illegible] attended and they are requested to report their attendance when we next assemble.

Care taken to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the public meetings [illegible] Libby N. Gardner [illegible] meeting. [illegible] George B. Foster [illegible] station of Elder [illegible]

Ans. 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and
[illegible] of ability to do so, there is apparent neglect on the part
[illegible] attending our meetings and some of
[illegible]

The poor are [illegible]
by most Friends.

Friends are mostly preserved from sleep. Of other unbecoming
behavior clear.

Ans 2nd

Love and unity are we think chiefly maintained. We believe
detraction is mostly avoided.

No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans 3rd

We believe that a care and concern is felt by [illegible]
Friends [illegible]
in regard to plainness of speech behavior and apparel, also
that pernicious reading and the corrupt conversation of
the world may be avoided, and to be good examples
[illegible]
amongst us cause a feeling that more care, and a deeper
concern to be found faithful is wanting on the part of
others.

We think that the [illegible]
and [illegible] families.

Ans 4th

We think that the use of spirituous liquors is avoided
by Friends except for [illegible]
frequenting of taverns and places of public resort
and the Friends observe moderation and temperance
in [illegible].

Ans 5th

[illegible]
[illegible] Friends.

Ans 6th

[illegible]

Two cases of keeping company with prospect of marriage with those not members with us.

Ans 7th

There are some of our members [illegible] their [illegible] is paid [illegible].

We believe clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans 8th

We think most Friends are careful in the several parts of this query, but feel some want of care is manifested to live within the bounds of circumstances.

Ans 9th

Records have been attended to. No removal without certificate.

Ans 10th

We think that some Friends feel a concern that offenders should be dealt with according to Discipline, but we feel [illegible] care and more timely attention is desirable.

No dealing or placing of judgment since our last account.

No further business claiming attention at this time, we conclude, purposing to meet [illegible]

Mary J. Foster, Clerk.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women
Friends held at Westerly, the seventh of
Eighth Month, 1912.

The Clerks being absent Mary P. Gardner is appointed
to that service for the day.

[illegible]
named to attend this Meeting are Lydia H. Nichols,
[illegible]
called they are present.

The Queries have been read at this
time followed by answers to the first
[illegible] time of our present state.

Lydia H. Nichols on behalf of
[illegible] Meeting informs that
[illegible]

The Friends who were appointed as
[illegible]

No further business claiming attention at this
time [illegible]

Mary P. Gardner
Clerk for the day.

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] representatives named to attend this meeting are Lydia H.
Nichols, Elizabeth P. Coates and Louisa S. Foster [illegible]
being, called they are present.

The queries have been read at this time followed by answers
[illegible] time [illegible] Nichols.

No further business claiming attention at this
time we conclude to meet again [illegible]
in Second month next [illegible].

[illegible]

at Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth the fifth of Second Month 1793.

The Clerke being absent Mary A. Gardner is named to serve for this time.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting it appears the Representatives named to attend this Meeting are, Mary A. Gardner, Mary A. Pitcher and Elizabeth P. Foster, whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read at this [illegible] by answered to the first and [illegible] tenth, as descriptive of our present state,

No further Business claiming attention at this time, we conclude purposing to meet at this place in Fifth month next if permitted.

Mary A. Gardner Clerk for the day.

at Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Portsmouth the [illegible] day of Fifth month 1793.

[illegible] Mary A. Gardner, Mary A. Pitcher, whose names being called they are present,

[illegible] Yearly Meeting by our Friends Abby [illegible]

[illegible] Meeting assemble.

[illegible] to attend the Public Meetings during the [illegible]

The following are the answers to the

Inq. 1st

All our meetings for religious worship and those for Discipline
meeting was omitted on account of a funeral, and the other
days are generally attended by most of our members when
The year is generally pretty well observed by most
Friends.
none give way to slack, or other unbecoming
behavior than usual is manifested.

Inq. 2d

Love and unity are we believe chiefly maintained. We
think detraction is guarded against in a good degree.

Inq. 3d

We think that a care and concern of mind still
rests with some Friends amongst us, that our Testimonies
in regard to plainness of speech behavior and address
themselves, but the many deviations apparent amongst
cause us to feel that more care, and a deeper concern to
We

Inq. 4th

We think that the use of spirituous liquors is avoided
most occasions.

Prin assistance is needed one is taken, also entirely
removed from among Friends.

[illegible] ted, that proceedings with
respect to marriage be conformable to Discipline.

One case of keeping company with prospect of marriage,
with one not a member with us.

Some of our members at times attend meetings where
there is a paid ministry, We think clear in the other
parts of the query.

The fellow Friends are careful in the several parts of
the query,

careful as to records, One removal without certificate.

We believe that some Rs [illegible] c [illegible]
concerned that our Ancient Testimonies should be
maintained [illegible] the
Hindering things of the present day seem to be in
very of a deeper concern and more timely atten[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] ance in marriage a[illegible] [illegible] ment
[illegible] ent,

[illegible] this time,
we conclude purposing to meet again at this place
on Eighth month next if permitted.

Mary L. Foster Clerk.

at Poole Island Quarterly meeting of Women
Friends held at Pasquotank the eighth
of Eighth month 1760.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly
[illegible] Representatives present to attend
this Quarterly Meeting are Lydia E. Nichols, Mary D. Perry and
Lucy D. Perry, whose names being called they are present.

The queries followed by answers to the
first, second and tenth have been read at this time.

Lydia E. Nichols informed the meeting that the
representatives to our late Yearly Meeting were all in
unity.

It was also reported that the Friends appointed
as Overtakers were present and attended to that service.

The subject of appointment of Clerks
[illegible] for the
service — Mary D. Foster and Anna H. Chace — for the
year ensuing or until another appointment.

No further business coming before us
we adjourn purposing to meet at this place on
Eleventh month next if permitted.

Mary D. Foster Clerk.

At Poole Island Quarterly meeting of Women
Friends held at Westerly the fifth of eleventh month
1760.

[illegible]
The representatives named to attend this meeting are
[illegible] names being called, they are all present — The queries followed
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
to meet again at this place in Second month next
if permitted.

[illegible]

1904

By the account from our Monthly meeting all of those
the representatives named to attend this meeting are
Mary Ann Pitcher, Phebe P. Buffum and Anna A. Gardner,

Signed on behalf of said meeting and directed to be
forwarded this month which is transmitted.

Mary C. Foster Clerk.

The Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women
Friends held at Westerly the fifth of Fifth month
1904.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting
appointed Lydia H. Nichols, Phebe P. Buffum
attend this meeting are, Lydia H. Nichols, Phebe P. Buffum
and Mary J. Foster, whose names being called to
present.

The minutes and epistles
describing our present state, have been read at this time,
and accepted, and minutes, with
with an account are forwarded to our approaching
by our

The following are answers

our privilege for religious worship and for discipline

also, and there is an improvement in the attendance of those

traction guarded against. No offences have been

brought to our notice.

apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading and

corrupt conversation, also to be good examples therein

Friends families.

We think that the use of spirituous liquors is avoided

by Friends except for medicine, and the unnecessary

frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and

occasions.

When assistance is needed, care is taken.

No Children placed from among Friends.

respect to marriage be conformable to discipline.

one not a member with us.

5mo. 8th

We think Friends are careful in the several parts of this query.

4mo. 7th

Records have been attended to. No removal without certificate.

4mo. 14th

Care rests with Friends to deal with offenders as necessary, but owing to our weakness and smallness of number, a neglect is apparent in this matter.

[illegible] time, be concluded, [illegible]

Mary J. Easter Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends, held at Newport the fourth of eighth month 1904.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly [illegible] Elizabeth [illegible] and Emma [illegible] Clerk [illegible] being called they are present.

[illegible]

Elizabeth J. Easter reported for the representatives to our late Yearly Meeting, that they were all in attendance.

[illegible] the time, [illegible] at this place in eleventh month next [illegible]

[illegible] Easter, Clerk.

[illegible] Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Women Friends, held at Westerly, the third of seventh month 1904.

By the account received from South Kingstown monthly meeting, it appears the representatives named to attend [illegible] present.

The queries have been read at this time [illegible]

No further business claiming attention at this time, we conclude purposing to meet again here in second month next if permitted.

Mary C. Baxter Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly, the second of Second month 1905.

From South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we have received an account whereby we learn the representatives named to attend this meeting are, Mary Ann Pitcher, Elizabeth P. Baxter and Mary J. [illegible]

The queries have been read in this meeting followed by answers to the first second and tenth descriptive of our present state.

At this time we are favored with the acceptable company of our dear friend Eliza N. Varney of [illegible] for such service as may might open for, from time to meetings necessary in order for the accomplishment of [illegible] seemed to be called for at this time of [illegible] and strippedness. The clerk is direc[illegible]

prepare and sign a returning minute for our [illegible]

No further business claiming attention at this time, we adjourn further to meet again at this place in Eighth month next if permitted.

Mary J. Easter Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Women Friends held at Westerly the Fourth of 5th mo. 1905.

By the account received from South Kingstown monthly meeting it appears the several persons named to attend this meeting are Abby W. Gardner, Louisa S. Easter and Mary J. Easter whose names being called, two are present. [illegible] each, describing our present state have been read and approved by the meeting, Which [illegible] together with an account we forward to the Yearly Meeting.

[illegible]

Care takers to promote the quiet and [illegible] during the sitting of this meeting. [illegible] Mary J. Easter are appointed to [illegible] from this meeting. The proceedings [illegible] us from the Monthly Meeting held at [illegible] by Elizabeth P. Easter and Mary J. Easter [illegible] are read and approved,

[illegible] with by the same meeting.

The following are answers to the several queries

[illegible] 1st

All our meetings for religious worship and for [illegible] are duly [illegible] and generally [illegible] to the great [illegible] neglected by some of our members,

The hour is generally pretty well observed. Some [illegible]

[illegible] 2nd

Love and unity are in a good degree maintained and detraction guarded against,

No differences have been brought to our notice.

[illegible] 3rd

[illegible] their attention to plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation, also to be good examples [illegible] and [illegible] to visit families as way opens and need. We believe the Holy Scriptures frequently read in Friends families.

[illegible] 4th

We think that the use of spirituous liquors is avoided, except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and that Friends observe moderation and temperance on most occasions.

[illegible] 5th

To [illegible] assisting distressed, & to educate children placed from [illegible] friends.

[illegible]

[illegible] subject to marriage be conformable to Discipline.

One. "

There are some of our members who at times attend meetings where there is a paid ministry. We believe clearness in the other parts of this query.

"

We think Friends are careful in the several parts of this query.

"

Records have been attended to. No removals without certificates.

"

We care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary, but owing to our weakness and smallness of numbers a neglect is apparent in these respects.

No further business claiming attention at this time, [illegible] to meet at this place in Eighth month next if permitted.

Mary J. Foster Clerk.

At Rose Dale Quarterly Mtg. of Women
Friends held at Deatsville the 3rd of Eighth month

By the account received from South Kingstown
attend this meeting are Elizabeth P. Easton
and Mary C. Easton whose names

at this time followed by answers to the first, second
and tenth descriptive lot our present state.

We are informed that the representatives to our

with, and being recommended to this meeting
has been accepted in concurrence with men
Friends

at this time we conclude purposing to meet again
at this place, — in joint sea
next, if permitted.

Mary C. Easton Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Men and Women Friends held in joint session at Westerly, R. I. the Second of the 11th Mo, 1905.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R. I. in joint session the 25th of the 10th month last it appears that Mary J. Foster, Charles Perry, and Anna H. Chace were appointed representatives to this meeting whose names being called they were all present.

The minutes of the last session of Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held separately by Men and Women Friends have both been read in this meeting.

In the Quarterly Meetings of Men and Women Friends are now to be held jointly it has been decided to appoint Charles Perry Clerk and Anna H. Chace Assistant Clerk of this Meeting until another appointment is made.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the First, Second and Sixth from South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Men & Women Friends as descriptive of our present state.

No further business coming before us at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in the 2nd Month next if permitted so to do.—

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R. I., the First of the Second Month 1906.

An account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R. I. the 24th of the First Month 1906. has been received — at this time from which it appears that John W. Gardner and Anna O. Foster were appointed Representatives to this meeting which meeting being called they are both present.

The Assistant Clerk of this meeting having been prevented from attending on account of sickness it is concluded to appoint Mary J. Foster Assistant Clerk for the day.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the First, Second and Tenth from South Kingston Monthly meeting as descriptive of our present state.

No further business coming before this meeting at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in the Fifth Month next if permitted so to do. —

Charles Tefft
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R.I. the third of the Fifth Month 1906.

The account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Kingston the 20th of the fourth Month 1906 has been received from which it appears that Mary Ann Dickey, Lydia H. Nichols and Charles Tripp were appointed representatives to attend this meeting whose names being called all are present.

The Assistant Clerk Anna H. Chace being absent on account of sickness Mary A. Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to all as descriptive of our present condition of society. These answers in relation with an account to be forwarded to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our friends Mary A. Foster Elizabeth P. Foster, Eunice Tripp, Lydia H. Nichols, Mary H. Eddy, whom we appoint as representatives to that meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Correlative to from the first and second queries, the public meetings during our approximate Yearly Meeting have been proposed, and Eunice B. Nichol and Charles Tripp are appointed for that service.

The following are the answers to the several Queries,

Ans. 1 All our meetings for religious worship and for discipline have been held. While a few of our members are faithful in the

Attendance of all meetings when health permits, the week-day meetings, and a part of those for business are neglected by others.

The hour is generally pretty well observed. None give way to sleep. Clear of unbecoming behavior.

Ans. 2. Love and unity are maintained in a good degree, and detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans. 3. Some Friends are concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behavior and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation, also to be good examples herein themselves, yet more care in these respects is needful.

We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4. We think that the use of spirituous liquors is needful except for medicine, also the unnecessary frequenting of taverns and places of public resort, and that Friends observe moderation and temperance on most occasions.

Ans. 5. None needing assistance, no children placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6. Some want of care apparent that proceedings with respect to marriages be conformable to discipline.

Ans. 7. There are some of our members who at times attend meetings where there is a

paid visiting. We believe clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans. 8. We believe Friends are careful in the several parts of this query.

Ans. 9. Records have been attended to, and care taken about removal certificates.

Ans. 10. A care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as discipline requires; but owing to our Weakness and Smallness of numbers a neglect is apparent in these respects.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in Eighth Month next if permitted.

Charles Terry Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R.I. the 2nd of the Eighth Month 1906.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held the 25th of the Seventh Month it appears that Mary L. Foster, Charles Perry, Elizabeth P. Foster and Abby N. Gardner were appointed representatives to this Meeting Whose names being called they were all present.

The Assistant Clerk of this Meeting Anna H. Chace being absent on account of sickness Mary J. Foster is appointed to that place for the day.

Abby N. Gardner on behalf of the Representatives appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting held in Six Month last reports that they all attended.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the First, Second and Tenth describing the condition of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in the Eleventh month next if permitted.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 1st of the Eleventh Month 1906,

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held the 24th of the 10th Month it appears that Elizabeth P. Foster, Mary A. Gardner, Charles Perry and Mary Ann Fisher were appointed representatives to this meeting whose names being called they were all present.

The Assistant Clerk of this meeting Anna H. Chase being absent on account of continued illness it is concluded to appoint Anna A. Gardner to that place for the day.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with Answers to the First, Second & Tenth as descriptive of the condition of our society.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude by proposing to meet again at this place in the Second Month next if permitted.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting held the 30th of First month 1907 it appears that Mary P. Foster, Lydia H. Nichols, Charles Perry and Mary Ann Pitcher were appointed as representatives to this meeting - whose manner being called all are

The assistant Clerk Anna H. Shace being absent in this part of the country it is concluded to appoint Mary P. Foster assistant for the day.

The queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the first, second, and tenth are descriptive of the present state of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention at this time, we conclude further to meet again in this place in Fifth month next if permitted.

Charles Perry

Clerk.

Then this meeting was held at Westerly the Second of Fifth month 1907.

[illegible] from South Kingstown [illegible] were appointed [illegible] Mary P. Foster, [illegible] whose manner being called all are present.

Both Clerks of this meeting [illegible] absent from it [illegible] Mary P. Foster was appointed Clerk for the day.

The queries have been read at this meeting [illegible] answers to the first second and tenth are descriptive of the present state of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude further to meet again in this place in Fifth month next if permitted.

and Thomas Perry whom we appoint as representatives to that meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance at our next meeting.

[illegible] to report that the said [illegible] orderly seating of the public meetings have been [illegible] free of [illegible] reappointed to that service — namely Thomas Perry and Eunice B. Nichols

[illegible]

Ans. 1st

All our meetings for religious worship and [illegible] for discipline have been held except [illegible] a [illegible] of all meetings [illegible] for business are neglected by others.

The hour is generally pretty well observed by most Friends. Some give way to sleep.

Clear of unbecoming behavior.

Ans 2nd

Love and unity are in a good degree [illegible] and detraction guarded against.

No differences have been brought [illegible]

[illegible]

Ans. 3rd

We believe that some Friends feel a concern [illegible] their children in plainness of speech behavior [illegible] the same [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Ans. 4th

[illegible] for medicine. Friends generally avoid places of [illegible]

Ans. 5th

[illegible] None needing assistance, No children placed [illegible]

Ans. 6th

[illegible] Of marriage not conducted according to discipline having been generally attended by [illegible]

Ans. 7th

There are some of our members who at times attend meetings where there is a paid ministry, We believe clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans. 8th

We believe Friends are careful in the several [illegible]

Ans. 9th

[illegible]

Ans. 10th

We believe that a concern is still felt by some members that the good order required [illegible] a neglect is apparent in these respects.

[illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 12th of the Eighth Month 1907.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held the 24th of 7th Month 1907 it appears that Lydia F. Nichols, Mary Ann Pitcher and Charles Perry were appointed as representatives to this meeting whose names being called they are all present.

Lydia F. Nichols on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the sittings of our last Yearly Meeting reports they were all present, and that the Caretakers appointed at the same time attended to their duties.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as description of the present state of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the 11th Month next if Consistant with the Divine will.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 9th of the 11th Month 1907.

It appears by the account received from South Kingston Monthly meeting held the 30th of the 10th Month last that the following named Friends were appointed to attend this meeting as representatives viz - Abby W. Gardner, Lydia F. Nichols, Mary Ann Stetson, and Charles Perry, whose names being called all were present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as descriptive of the present state of our Society.

Our Friends Jonathan and Jane C. Chace have been appointed to the station of Elders by South Kingston Monthly Meeting this Meeting unites therein with, and Mary J. Foster is appointed to notify the Select Meeting thereof.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the 2nd Month next if permitted.

Chas. Perry
Clerk.

[illegible] 13th [illegible] Second Month 1[illegible]
by postponement on account of the [illegible]
our dear friend Othniel Foster Nichols.

It appears by the account received from [illegible] Monthly Meeting held First Month 2nd that the [illegible] Second Friends were appointed to attend this meeting as representatives Elizabeth P. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry, and Abby W. Gardner whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read in this meeting with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as descriptive of our present state.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the Fifth Month next if permitted

Charles Perry
Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly on the 7th of Fifth Month 1903.

The Assistant Clerk being absent, Mary [illegible] Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for the

It appears by the account received from [illegible] Monthly Meeting held [illegible] the Tenth Day, that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting, viz: Elizabeth P. Foster, Abby W. Gardner, and [illegible] Foster, whose names being called all were present.

The Queries have been read at this

time with answers to each describing our present state which are forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Elijah F. Foster, Asa M. Gordon, Lydia H. Nichols, Eleanor Pinkham, Emma B. Clark, Anna M. Foster, Lucy N. Foster and Mary A. Foster, whom we appoint as Representatives to the meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance at our next regular meeting.

Committees to promote the quiet and orderly sitting of our public meetings have been proposed, and those of last year are again appointed to that service, viz. Mary Perry, and Emma B. Nichols.

The following are answers to the Queries.

Ans. 1st

All our meetings for religious worship and those for discipline have been duly held, and have been diligently attended by a portion of our members when health permitted, but the week day meetings and some of those for business are neglected by some, although there may be a slight improvement in this of late.

Ans. 2nd

Love and unity are in a good degree maintained and detraction guarded against. No difference have been brought to our notice.

Ans. 3d

We believe that some Friends feel a concern to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behavior

and apparel, to restrain them from
reading pernicious books [illegible] of
Conversation, Also to be good examples
[illegible] sides, [illegible]
[illegible]

We believe that [illegible]
are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th

Clear of the use of Spirituous liquors
except for Medicine,
Friends Generally avoid places of
public resort and observe moderation
and temperance on most occasions.

Ans. 5th

None needing assistance, and no
Children found from among Friends.

Ans. 6th

One case of Marrying out of
Meeting at which some of our
[illegible]

Ans. 7th

There are some of our Members who at
times attend Meetings where [illegible]
[illegible] Ministry, We believe care as to
the other parts of the [illegible]

Ans. 8th

We believe Friends are careful in
the several parts of the [illegible]

Ans. 9th

The Records have been attended, the

[illegible] Certificate.

[illegible] 10th

Friends are concerned to d[illegible] importially, but d[illegible] is would be best—

No further business claiming our attent[illegible] we conclude purposing to meet again at th[illegible] the Eighth Month next if permitted.

[illegible]

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly on the 6th of the 8th Mo. 1[illegible]

The assistant Clerk being absent Thomas Gardner is appointed Assistant Clerk [illegible]

It appears by the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held the [illegible] 7th ult, that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to attend this Meeting — viz Nowell M. Chace, Amos O. Foster, Abby M. Gardner and Anna K. Chace, whose names being called [illegible] present to [illegible]

The Queries have been read at this time with answers & the [illegible] is a description of our present condition.

Abby M. Gardner on behalf of the Representatives appointed to attend the Meetings of our last [illegible] Meeting reports, that they have [illegible]

present but one, for whom absence a part of the time a satisfactory reason was given,

No further business claiming our attention at this time we concluded proposing to meet again at this place in the 11th Month next if permitted,

Charles Perry Clerk

At Kirby Friend Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westbury the 5th of 11th Mo. 1705.

It appears by the Certificate produced from the Monthly Meeting of this Island that the following named Friends have been appointed Representatives to attend this Meeting - Viz, Amos O. Foster, Abby W. Gardner, and Phebe L. Hoyt, who being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th as descriptive of our present State.

No further business appearing to claim our attention we concluded proposing to meet again at this place in the 5th month next if permitted,

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 4th of the Second Month 1909.

By account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting - viz Abby W. Gardner Clara V. Perry, Emma B. Nichols, and Phebe W. P. Buffum, whose names being called all are present except one.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the First, Second and Tenth as description of our present condition.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the Fifth Month next if permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 6th of 5th Month 1909.

By an account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends are appointed Representatives to this Meeting Sydney F. Nichols, Charles Perry, Thomas P. Nichols, and Mary J. Foster, whose names being called they are all present.

The Assistant Clerk being absent at this time Mary J. Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto describing our present state which we forward to our Yearly Meeting by our Friends

Lydia F. Nichols, Charles Perry, Amos O. Foster, Elizabeth P. Foster, Mary J. Foster, and Thomas P. Nichols, whom we appoint Representatives to that Meeting, and they are requested to Report their attendance at our next regular Meeting.

Caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the public meetings have been proposed, and those of last year viz Thomas Perry, and Emma B. Nichols are appointed.

The following are the answers prepared to the Second Queries.

Answer 1st All our meetings for Religious Worship and those for discipline have been diligently attended with two exceptions by a few of our members when health permitted, but the week day meetings and some of those for business are much neglected by others.

The Hour is pretty well observed by most Friends. None give away to sleep, clear of other unbecoming behavior.

Ans. 2nd Love and unity are in a good degree maintained, and detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans. 3d We believe that some Friends feel a concern to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behavior and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation, also to be good examples therein themselves. Yet more care in

these respects is needful. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 4th Clear of the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine, Friends generally avoid places of public resort, and observe moderation, and temperance on most occasions.

Ans. 5th None needing assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6th Parents and heads of families with the Young and unmarried are careful as guried after as for as appears.

Ans. 7th There are some of our members who at times attend meetings where there is a paid ministry.
We believe clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans. 8th We feel that there has been some want of care in observing the requirements of this query.

Ans. 9th Records have been attended to. One removal without certificate, and one family has come to reside among us without certificates. Both cases have received the attention of Friends at different times, and although some years have elapsed, neither party feel a willingness at present to relinquish their membership of the meeting to which they belong.

Ans. 10th We think a concern is still felt by some that the good order

required by Discipline should be maintained, but hindering things seem to be in the way of its accomplishment.

No dealing or placing of judgement since our last account.

No further business claiming the attention of this meeting at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the Eighth month next if permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly Fifth of Eighth Month. 1909.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that the representatives to this meeting are Abby W. Gardner, Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster and Amos O. Foster, whose names being called are present except one, who was unavoidably absent.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as description of our present state have been read at this meeting.

Mary J. Foster on behalf of the representatives to our last Yearly Meeting reported that they were all in attendance, also that the caretakers performed the service expected of them.

No further business being brought forward we adjourn purposing to meet again at this place in 11th Month next if permitted.

Anna H. Chace
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 14th of the 11th Mo. 1909.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that the representatives to this Meeting are Lydia F. Nichols, Charles Perry & Elizabeth P. Slocum whose names being called all are present except one who is absent on account of sickness.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read as description of our present State.

No further business appearing to come before this meeting we adjourn proposing to meet again in the Second Month of next year if permitted.

Chas Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3d of the Second Month 1910.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named representatives were appointed to attend this meeting—viz. Lydia F. Nichols, Charles Perry, and Mary Ann Slocum, who are all present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as description of our present State.

No further business appearing for our consideration at this time we conclude proposing to meet again in the Fifth Month next.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 5th of the Fifth Month 1910.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends were appointed to attend this meeting - viz - Abby W. Gardner, Charles Peny, Lydia F. Nichols, and Mary J. Foster who are all present.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto descriptive of our condition which we forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Abby W. Gardner, Charles Peny. Lydia F. Nichols, Amos O. Foster and Eunice B. Clark whom we appoint representatives to that meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance to our next regular meeting.

Caretakers to promote quiet and orderly seating of the public meetings have been appointed and Eunice B. Nichols and Harvey B. Peny are appointed to attend to that service.

The following answers were prepared to the Queries and adopted as descriptive of our present state.

Answer 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been held but one. Those on First-day pretty well attended by most Friends. Those on week-days, and some of those for business not so well attended. The hour observed; None give way to sleep. Clear of other unbecoming behavior.

Answer 2nd Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans. 3 Some Friends are concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behavior and apparel, to restrain them from the corrupt conversation of the world, and to be good examples herein themselves. Yet more care in these respects is needful.
We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families. -

Ans. 4 Clear of the use of spirituous liquors except for medicine. Friends generally avoid places of public resort, and observe moderation and temperance on most occasions. -

Ans. 5 None needing assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Ans. 6 We believe that parents and heads of families, are desirous that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline. Two cases of marriage with those who are not members. -

Ans. 7 Some of our members attend meetings where there is a paid ministry. Clear in the other parts of this query.

Ans. 8 We believe Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts. Are mostly punctual to their promises, and just in the payment

of their debts. Most Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, —

Ans. 9 Friends are careful as to records. No removal since our last account.

Ans. 10 We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as discipline requires, but more care, and a deeper concern in this regard would be desirable.

No further business appearing to claim our attention, at this time are concluded proposing to meet again at this place in the Eighth Month next.

Charles Perry / Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held the 14th of Eighth Month, 1910.

We are informed that the following named Friends were appointed by South Kingston Monthly Meeting representatives to this Meeting, Amos C. Foster, Ann S. Coleman, Elmer Ann Fitcher, and Abby W. Gardner all of one being present.

The queries have been read at this time with answers to the First, Second, and Tenth as descriptive of our present state.

Mary J. Foster on behalf of the Representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting Report that they were all in attendance,

No further business appearing at this time to claim our attention we conclude proposing to meet again in the 11th Month next.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held the 3d of the Eleventh Month 1910.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting Anna A. Gardner, Louisa S. Foster, Anna H. Chace, and Elizabeth P. Foster, whose names being called they are all present except one.

The Queries have been read with answers to the First, Second & Tenth describing our present condition.

No further business appearing to come before the meeting at this time we conclude proposing to meet in the Second Month next at this place.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly meeting of Friends held at [illegible] 3rd of Eleventh month 1911

By the account from South Kingstown monthly meeting it appears that the representatives to that meeting are Abby H. Gardner, Amos A. Foster, Gertrude E. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols whose names being called three are present, and a satisfactory reason is given for the absent one.

[illegible] have been read at this time, with answers to the first, second, and tenth which we believe is descriptive of our present state of Society.

Over

[illegible] business concerning our Society at this time we conclude, purposing to meet in the Fifth month next at this place, if permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk.

[illegible]

By the account from [illegible] Ringtown monthly meeting [illegible] Sarah C. Foster [illegible] Anna C. Foster was appointed Clerk pro tem.

Both Clerks of this meeting being absent Rosa C. Foster is appointed to act at this meeting,

The queries have been read at this time followed by answers to such which have been agreed by the meeting as described in the Book of Society, There appears with the account from this meeting we Epistle to our approaching Yearly meeting by our friends Mary H. Fisher, Anna C. Foster, Eunice B. Clare, Thomas Perry and Mary J. Foster whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting, and they are requested to [illegible] their attendance at our next regular meeting,

Concluded to provide the outlet and stove [illegible] of the Ladies meeting at the Yearly meeting have been proposed, and Eunice B. Nichols and Hannah C. Perry are appointed for that service,

No further business appearing to claim our attention at this time, we adjourn purposing to meet again at this place in Eighth month next if consistent with the Divine will,

Mary J. Foster Clerk pro tem.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3d of the 8th Mo. 1911.

From the account of South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting viz - Charles Dey, Abby W. Gardner, Amos O. Foster, and Edwin B. Nichols whose names being called all were present except one whose absence is accounted for by sickness.

The Queries have been read at this time followed by answers to the first - second and tenth which are thought to be discription of our present condition.

The Names of Anna M. Chase, Amos O. Foster, Edwin B. Nichols and Anna M. Gardner, having been proposed by South Kingston Monthly Meeting of Members of the first Meeting of this Society - this Quarterly Meeting has united therewith, and the persons named are appointed to the station of Elders.

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No further business appearing to claim our notice at this time we conclude proposing to meet in this place in the Eleventh month next if consistant with the Divine will.

Mary J. Foster on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend the Setting of our last Yearly Meeting reports that they were all present.

Charles Dey
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of the 11th Month. 1911.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held the 25th of 10th Mo. 1911. it appears that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting - Charles Perry, Amos O. Foster, and Annie M. Gardner - whose names being called all are present.

The queries have been read with answers to the first, second and tenth describing the present state of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet again in this place in the Second Month next if Consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At R.I. Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R.I. the First of the Second Month 1912.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held 1st Month 24th " 1912. it appears that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting - Anna M. Gardner Amos O. Foster, and Emma B. Clarke whose names being called they are all present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the First, Second & Tenth as to the condition of our Society.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude proposing to met in this place in the Fifth Month Next if consistant with the Divine Will.-

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of the 5th Mo. 1912.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting - viz.

Charles Perry, Amos O. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols, and Mary J. Foster, Whose names being called all were present.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto descriptive of our present condition which we forward to our next Yearly Meeting by our Friends Eunice B. Clarke, Amos O. Foster, Charles Perry, Mary J. Foster, Anna H. Chace, whom we appoint representatives to that Meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance at our next Meeting.

Caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating at the public Meetings has been proposed, and Eva L. Foster and Oterony C. Perry are appointed to that service.

The following answers to the Queries were prepared, read, and adopted as description of ~~this~~ present State of the Society in this Quarterly Meeting.

Answer 1st

All our meetings for religious worship, and those for discipline have been held & kept their week day meetings for which satisfactory reasons were given. A few of our members are faithful in the attendance of all meetings when health permits. Week day meetings and a part of those for business are neglected by others. The hour is generally observed by most Friends. None give way to sleep, clear of other unbecoming behaviour.

Answer 2nd

Love and unity are maintained, and detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Answer 3d

We believe that some Friends feel concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading, and corrupt conversation, also to be examples herein themselves, Yet a deeper concern in these respects is needful.

We think that the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Answer 4th

Clear of the use of Spirituous liquors, Friends generally avoid places of public resort, and observe moderation and temperance on most occasions.

Answer 5th

None needing assistance. No children placed from among Friends.

Answer 6th

Clear as far as appears.

Answer 7th

There are some of our Members who at times attend Meetings where there is a paid Ministry, We believe clear in the other parts of this Query.

Answer 8th

We think Friends are careful in the several parts of this Query.

Answer 9th

Records have been attended to. One Removal without certificate which has claimed attention.

Answer, 10th

A Concern is still felt by some amongst us that the good order Required by discipline should be maintained, but hindering things seem to be in the way of its accomplishment. No dealing or passing of judgement since our last account.

No further business appearing at this time to claim our attention we conclude proposing to Meet again at this place in the Eighth Month Next if consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Roy
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport the 1st of 3rd Month 1912. By the report of Records from South Kingston Monthly Meeting held 4th Mo. 24th 1912, we find that Charles Peirce, Emma B. Nichols, Lucy W. Foster and Anna A. Gardner are appointed Representatives to this Meeting, whose Names being called all are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as descriptive of our present State have been read at this Meeting.

Emma B. Clark on behalf of the Representatives to our late Yearly Meeting reported that the Representatives appointed thereto were present except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was given.

No further business claiming our attention we adjourn proposing to meet again at this place in 11th Month next if consistent with the Divine will.

Charles Peirce
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 9th of the 11th Mo. 1912.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster, Amos O. Foster, Elizabeth Perry, and Phebe P. Buffum are appointed representatives to this Meeting Whose names being called all are present.

The queries with answers to the first second and tenth describing our present state have been read at this Meeting.

No further business appearing to claim our attention we adjourn proposing to meet at this place in the 2nd Mo. next if Consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Perry.
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 6th of the Second Month 1913.

The Assistant Clerk being absent on account of illness Albert D. Foster is appointed as Assistant Clerk for the day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends are representatives to this Meeting - viz - Emma B. Nichols, Amos O. Foster, Mary V. Daniel, Gertrude E. Foster, and Emma B. Clark whose names being called three are present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th which we believe describe our present Condition.

No further business appearing

for our consideration at this time we conclude proposing to meet at this place in the Fifth Month next if consistant with the Divine will.

Charles Peay
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 8th of the 5th Month 1913.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Mary J. Foster, is appointed Clerk for the day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears the following Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting, viz- Eunice B. Clark, Lucy W. Foster, Amos O. Foster, and Eunice B. Nichols whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto describing we believe the present state of our Society which we forward to our next Yearly Meeting to be held in the sixth Mo. next by our Friends Mary J. Foster, Charles Peay, Lucy W. Foster Eunice B. Clark, Amos O. Foster and Anna A. Gardner whom we appoint representatives to that meeting, and they are requested to report their attendance to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the people at the public meetings has been proposed and

Henry C. Perry and Lucy W. Foster are appointed to that service.

No further business appearing at this time to require our attention we conclude proposing to meet again in the 8th Mo. next if consistant with the Divine will.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held the 7th of the Eighth Mo. 1913.

By the account from So. Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting Amos C. Foster, Clara V. Perry, Anna A. Gardner, and Louise S. Foster, whose names being called all are present.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Mary J. Foster is appointed Assistant for the day.

The Queries have been read with answers to the first second & tenth describing the condition of our Society with respect thereto.

Anna A. Gardner reports for the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting that they were all in attendance.

No further business appearing to require our attention at this time we conclude proposing to meet again in the 11th Month next if consistant with the Divine Will,

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Newport the Sixth of the Eleventh Month 1913.

By the account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we find that the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting - Eunice B. Clark, Amos D. Foster and Lucy W. Foster whose names being called they are all present.

The Assistant Clerk of this meeting being absent on account of sickness Eunice B. Nichols is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day.

The Queries have been read with answers to the first second and tenth describing our present condition.

No further business appearing at this time to claim our attention we conclude proposing to meet again in the Second Month Next if consistant with the Divine Will.-

Eunice Foster
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the Fifth of Second Month 1914.

Both Clerks of this meeting being absent on account of indisposition Mary J. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols are appointed to serve for the day.

By the Account from Dover Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends are appointed as Representatives to this Meeting Namely Anna O. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols and Mary J. Foster and each have answered to their Names as Called.

The Queries have been read followed by answers to the first Second called both describing our present state.

No further business coming before the meeting we adjourn proposing to meet again in the Fifth Month next if permitted

Mary J. Foster
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 7th of the Fifth Month 1914.

Our Assistant Clerk being absent Mary J. Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that Amos O. Foster Clara V. Perry, and Mary J. Foster were appointed representatives to this meeting, whose names being called they are all present.

All of the Queries have been read with answers thereto which we forward to our next Yearly Meeting by our Friends Amos O. Foster, Mary J. Foster, Charles Perry, Emma B. Clarke & Fatima A. Gardner whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting. Henry C. Perry & Lucy N. Foster are appointed caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the people at the public meetings of our approaching Yearly Meeting.

Our dear Friend Isaac Haines ~~who is~~ accompanied by his brother John Haines is in attendance very acceptably at this time. And his certificate from New Garden Monthly Meeting releasing him for Gospel labor in this section has been read. His labor in the family & in meeting has been very acceptable. We desire to thank our Heavenly Father for his care over us, and to acknowledge His mercy & goodness.

The Clerk is directed to sign a copy of the returning minute.

No further business appearing at this time we conclude proposing to meet again in the 8th Month next if permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk

The following Answers to the Queries were read and approved at the foregoing meeting.

Answer 1st — All our Meetings for Religious worship and those for discipline have been held except three Indirect Meetings for worship.

Meetings on First days are usually attended by most of our Members when health permits. Week day Meetings are not so well attended. The hour fitly and observed. None give way to sleep. Clear of unbecoming behavior.

Answer 2nd — Love and Unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice

Answer 3d — Some Friends are concerned to bring up those under their Care in plainness of Speech, behavior and apparel, to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt Conversation of the World, and to be good examples herein themselves — Yet more care in these respects is needful.

We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families. —

Answer 4th — Clear of the use Spirituous liquors. Friends generally avoid places of [illegible] resort, and observe Moderation and temperance on most occasions.

Answer 5th — None needing assistance. No Children placed from among Friends.

Answer 6th We believe that parents and heads of families are desirous that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline.

Answer 7th Some of our Members attend Meetings where there is a paid Ministry. Clear in the other parts of this query.

Answer 8th We believe Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts. They are mostly punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Answer 9th Friends are careful as to records, No Removals without certificates.

Answer 10th We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with Offenders when necessary as the discipline requires.

No [illegible] or passing of judgment since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 6th of the 5th Month 1914.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that the following named persons were appointed Representatives to this meeting — Lucy W. Foster, Amos O. Foster, Mary J. Foster, and Charles Perry, whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the First, Second and Tenth which we find correctly describes our present state.

Emma B. Clarke reported for the Representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting that they were all present.

No further business appearing that requires our attention at this time we conclude proposing to meet in the 11th Month Next if so permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 5th of the Eleventh Month 1914.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting, Viz. Amos. O. Foster, Eunice B. Clark, Gertrude S. Foster, and Mary L. Foster, all of whom are present.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Eunice B. Clark is appointed for the day.

The Queries have been read with answers to the first second and tenth as discriptive of the present state of Society.

No further business requiring the attention of this meeting at this time we conclude purposing to met in the second month next.

Charles Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 4th of the Second Month 1915.

The account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting states that the following named Friends were appointed representatives to this Meeting - Alice C. Hall, Abbie F. Tew, and Anna A. Gardner, (are the representatives to this Meeting) [illegible] being called [illegible].

The Assistant Clerk being absent Mary J. Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for this day.

The Queries have been read at this time with Answers to the first, second and tenth describing the present state of our Society.

No further Business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet again in the Fifth Month next if permitted.

Charles Tew Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Westerly the sixth of Eighth Month 1915

Both Clerk of this Meeting being prevented by illness from attending Mary J. Foster and Thomas Perry are appointed to serve for the day.

By the account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting it appears that the representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are Phebe P. Bullock, Gertrude E. Foster, Amos C. Foster and Lucy W. Foster. All are present.

The Queries have all been read in this Meeting followed by answers to each which are thought to describe our present state. These answers together with an account from this Meeting we forward to the approaching Yearly Meeting by our friends Thomas Perry, Amos C. Foster, Eunice B. Clark, Lucy W. Foster and Phebe P. Bullock, whom we appoint as representatives to that Meeting.

Harvey C. Perry and Lucy W. Foster are re-appointed caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the people at the public meetings of the coming Yearly Meeting.

No further business coming before us at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at this place in Eighth Month next if permitted.

Mary J. Foster
Clerk for the day.

The following Answers to the Queries were read and approved at the foregoing Meeting.

Answer 1.st

All our meeting for religious worship and those for discipline have been held. Meetings on First days are usually attended by most of our members when health permits. Week day meetings are not as well attended. The Hour is pretty well observed. None give way to sleep. Clear of unbecoming behavior.

Answer 2nd.

Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Answer 3rd.

Some Friends are concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech, behavior, and apparel, to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and to be good examples herein themselves. Yet more care in these respects is needful. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends' families.

Answer 4th

Clear of the use of spirituous liquors. Friends generally avoid places of public resort, and observe moderation and temperance on most occasions.

Answer—5th.

None needing assistance. Friends' children freely partake of learning. No children placed from among friends.

Answer 6th

We believe that parents and heads of families are desirous that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline.

Answer 7th

Some of our members attend Meetings where there is a paid ministry. Clear in the other parts of this query

Answer 8th

We believe Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts. Are mostly punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances.

Answer 9th

Friends are careful as to records. One with certificate since our last account.

Answer 10th,

We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as discipline requires. No dealing or placing of judgment since our last account.

Fourth Month, 21st -
1915 -

R.I. Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the fifth of Eighth month 1915.

Both Clerks of this Meeting being absent on account of illness Mary J. Foster was appointed Clerk and Eunice B. Nichols assistant Clerk for this time.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that the representatives appointed to attend this Meeting are Amos C. Foster, Anna S. Gardner, and Gertrude E. Foster. All have answered to their names.

The Queries have all been read in this Meeting, followed by answers to those usual at this time, namely; the first, second and tenth, which were considered descriptive of our present state.

Eunice B. Clark reported for the representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting that they were all in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at this place in 11th Month next, if permitted.

Mary J. Foster
Clerk for the day.

- Queries -

The following answers to the Queries read at this time were read and approved at the foregoing Meeting.

1st & 2nd — All our Meetings for religious worship have been held. Meetings on First days are usually attended by most of our members, who are in Town at this season, when health permits. Mid week

meetings are not so well attended.
The hours pretty well observed. None give away to sleep. Clear of unbecoming behavior
Shs. 2nd - Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice
Shs. 10th We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as discipline requires. No dealing or placing of judgment since our last account.

7th Month 21st, 1915.

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the fourth of 11th month 1915

The Clerks of this Meeting both being absent our account of it Ninth Mon. J. Foster was appointed to serve as Clerk, and Eunice C. Clark as asst Clerk for the day

By the account from 11th Hopkinton Monthly Meeting appears that the following named as Representatives to this Meeting are, Mary J. Foster, Eunice G. Clark, Adna N. Gardiner and Phebe G. Perry. All are present

The queries have all been read at this time succeeded by answers to the first, second and 5th as read at this time, and these answers are thought to describe our present state.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude postponing to meet at this place in the Fourth Month next, if permitted

Mary J. Foster
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 2nd Month 3d 1916. The Clerk and Assistant Clerk both being absent Lucy W. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols were appointed Clerks for the day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that Eunice B. Clark, Phebe P. Buffum, Anna A. Gardner, and Lucy W. Foster were appointed Representatives to attend this Meeting.

The Queries have all been read at this time followed by answers to the first second and tenth, and these answers are thought to be descriptive of our present state.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet in the Fifth Month next if permitted.

Lucy W. Foster
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the Fourth of the Fifth Month 1916.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Mary J. Foster is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that Charles Perry, Amos C. Foster Eunice B. Clark, Lucy W. Foster, and Anna A. Gardner were appointed representatives to attend this meeting and all are present.

The Queries have all been read at this time and the answers thereto which we think properly describe our present state. These answers together with an account from this meeting we forward to the approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Amos O. Foster, Lucy W. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols, Eunice B. Clark, Charles Perry, Mary J. Foster, Anna A. Gardner, whom we appoint

Representatives to that meeting.

Harvey C. Perry, and Eva L. Foster are appointed caretakers to promote the quiet and orderly seating of the people at the public meetings of the Yearly Meeting.

Charles Perry on behalf of a committee appointed by South Kingston Monthly Meeting reported that that Meeting had considered the matter of making some needful changes in the wording of the Queries, and upon its consideration by this Quarterly Meeting it is referred to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Charles Perry and Lucy W. Foster

No further business coming before the meeting at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again at this place in the Eight Month next if permitted.

Charles Perry Clerk.

The following answers to the Queries were read and approved as covering the present state of our Society.

Answer 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and those for discipline have been held except three evening meetings for worship, and one Select Meeting. Meetings on First days are attended by most of our members when health permits. Week day meetings are not so well attended. The hour is pretty well observed. None give way to sleep, Chair or other unbecoming behavior.

Answer 2d. Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction is guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Answer 3d m. Friends are concerned to bring up those under their care in plainness of speech behavior and apparel, to restrain them from reading pernicious books, and from the corrupt conversation of the world, and to be good examples herein themselves

Yet more care in these respects is need-ful. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families

Answer 4th Clear of the use of spirituous liquors. Friends generally avoid places of public resort, and observe moderation and temperance on all occasions.

Answer 5th m. None needing assistance. Friends children are given a good education to fit them for business. No children have been placed from among Friends.

Answer 6th. We believe that parents and heads of families are desirous that all proceedings with respect to marriage be conformable to our discipline.

Answer 7th Friends desire to maintain a faithful testimony against a paid ministry. Clear in the other parts of this query.

Answer 8th We believe Friends are careful to inspect their affairs and settle their accounts. They are mostly punctual to their promises and just in the payment of their debts, and careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances

Answer 9th Mo. Friends are careful as to records, & No Removal since our last account.

Answer 10th Mo. We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as the discipline requires. There has been no dealing or passing of judgment since our last account.

Charles Peery Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the Third of the Eighth Month 1916.

In account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting it appears that Amos O. Foster, Elizabeth Peery, Eunice B. Clark, and Anna A. Gardner were appointed representatives to this Meeting, whose names being called all were present.

All of the Queries have been read at this time with answers to the first Second and tenth which we think describes our present condition with reference to those three queries.

Eunice B. Clarke on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting reported that they were all present.

No further business appearing to claim our attention at this time we Conclude our Meeting to meet again in the 11th Month next if permitted.

Charles Peery Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly on the Second of Eleventh Month 1916.

In the absence of the clerk the Assistant clerk took his place, and Lucy W. Foster was appointed to assist at the clerks table.

By the account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we are informed that its Representations to this Meeting are Anna A. Gardner, & Anna O. Foster whose names being called both are present.

The queries have been read in this Meeting with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as description of our present state.

Eunice Clark reported that all the Representatives to our last Quarterly Meeting were present at that time.

No further business appearing to claim our attention we conclude, purposing to meet again at this place in Second Month next if permitted.

(Signed) Anna A. Chace
Clerk for the day

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Westerly the First of Second Month 1917.

In the absence of the Clerk the Assistant clerk took his place, and Lucy W. Foster was appointed Assistant.

By the account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we find that Eunice B. Clarke, Anna A. Gardner, and Eunice B. Nichols are the Representatives to this Meeting two of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the First, Second & Tenth as description of our

present & tale have been read in
this Meeting.

As further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again in this place in the Fifth Month next if consistent with the Divine Will.

(Signed) Anna H. Chace
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3d of the Fifth Month 1917.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Lucy W. Foster is appointed Ast. Clerk for the day.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting — Amos C. Foster, Charles Sing, Anna H. Chace, and Phebe W. T. Buffum whose names being called all are present but one.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto, which in brief describe the present state of our Society.

These answers with an account from this Meeting we forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our Friends Hannah W. Webster, Charles Sing, Amos C. Foster, Simeon B. Nichols, Smith B. Chase, and Gertrude E. Foster, whom we appoint representatives to that Meeting.

Catharine N. Foster and Harvey C. Peay, are appointed caretakers to promote the orderly seating of the people at the public meetings of the Yearly Meeting.

No further business coming before this Meeting we adjourn purposing to meet again in Westerly in the 8th Month if Consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Peay Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of the Eighth Month 1917.

By the report from the Committee appointed at the last Quarterly Meeting it appears that the following named Friends were appointed Representatives to this Meeting — Charles Peay, Anna A. Gardiner, Elizabeth F. Nichols and Anna C. Foster, whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th which we believe to be descriptive of our present state.

Mary N. Foster [illegible]

We read our last Yearly Meeting Reports that all were in attendance.

No further business appearing for the consideration of the Meeting we adjourn purposing to meet again in the Eleventh Month next if Consistant with the Divine will.

Charles Peay

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 1st of the 11th Month 1917.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting the following named Friends are appointed Representatives to this Meeting - viz - Hannah L. Foster, Hannah N. Webster, [illegible] B. Nichols whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th which we think describes the present condition of our Society.

No further business coming before this meeting at this time we adjourn purposing to meet again in the [illegible] if consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, Rhode Island the First of Eleventh Month 1917.

In the absence of the clerk the assistance Clerk took his place, and Lucy N. Foster was appointed assistant.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that Eunice B. Clark, Anna H. Gardner and Eunice B. Nichols are the Representatives to this Meeting who are present except one.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd & 10th as descriptive of our present state have been read in this Meeting.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude,

purposing to meet again at this place in the 2nd Month next if consistant with the Divine Will.

(Signed) Anna H. Chace
Clerk for the Day.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, Rhode Island the 7th of the 2nd mo. 1918.

In the absence of the Assistant Clerk Lucy N. Foster was appointed Assistant Clerk for the Day.

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting we find that the represen-tatives to this meeting are Amos C. Foster, Gertrude E. Foster, and Elizabeth Perry whose names were called and all were present.

The Queries with answers to the First Second and Tenth have been read as describ-ing the present state of our Society.

No further business appearing, to claim our attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet again in this place the 2nd of the 5th Month next if Consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles E. Perry
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Portsmouth the 2nd of the Fifth Month 1918.

By the account received from the Kingston Monthly Meeting the following named Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting Amos C. Foster, Thos. W. H. Buffum, Gertrude E. Foster, and Anna A. Gardner, whose name were called and all present.

The Queries have been read with answers thereto which are believed to describe our present state. These answers with an account ~~with a committee~~ from the Meeting are forwarded to our Next Yearly Meeting by our Friends Edwin Penn, Henry W. Foster, Hannah W. Webster, Amos C. Foster, Edwin B. Gardner and Anna A. Gardner who are appointed representatives to that meeting.

Harvey C. Perry and Katherine Foster are appointed caretakers to promote the orderly seating of the people at the public meetings of this Yearly Meeting.

The Clerk of this Meeting informs this Yearly Meeting that the Meeting of Ministers and Elders has approved of the gift, and public appearance in the Ministry of Hannah W. Webster a member of this Kingston Monthly Meeting.

Answers to the Queries.

Answer 1st. All our meetings for religious Worship and Hour for discipline have been held. The hour for gathering observed. Clear & unbecoming behaviour.

Ans. 2nd Love and unity are maintained in a good degree, Detraction is guarded against, No differences have been brought to our notice.

Ans. 3d Friends are concerned to uphold their testimony to a meeting Spiritual Worship and to a free Gospel Ministry

Ans. 4th Some Friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech deportment and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading, and to guard them from the harmful influences of worldly associations, To be good examples herein themselves, and the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. 5th

Friends are careful to discourage the manufacture sale and use of all intoxicating liquors, To avoid harmful customs, and to keep in true simplicity at the time of marriage, and on all occasions.

Ans. 6th No Friends needing assistance. Friends children receive care in the education to fit them for the duties of life.

Ans. 7th Most Friends are concerned to maintain their testimony in the several parts of this query

Ans. 8th We believe Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their cir-

-cumstances, and to keep in moderation in their trade or business, to be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and honest in all their dealings,

7th And having the care of the youth are concerned to instruct them in the principals of Truth professed by us.

Friends are cautioned [illegible],

No Removals without certificates,

10th No clearing or passing of [illegible] since ~~these~~ our last account.

No further business coming before this Meeting at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at this place in the Eighth Month next if Consistant with the Divine Will.

Charles Jones Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, R.I. the 1st day of the Eighth Month 1918.

By the account received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting the following Friends are appointed Representatives to this Meeting Annie M. Watson, Almon B. Potter, Lydia H. Rose, Grace Mowry being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th which we believe are description of our present state.

Eunice B. Nichols on behalf of the representatives appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting reported that they were all present.

No further business appearing for the consideration of this meeting we conclude to postpone to meet again in the 11th Month next if consistent with the Will of Truth.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly R.I. the 7th day of the Eleventh Month 1918

By the account from South Kingston Monthly Meeting the following Friends are appointed representatives to this Meeting Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry and Almon B. Potter, and all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th which are intended to describe our present State.

No further business coming before this meeting and consideration at this time it concludes purposing to meet again in the 2nd Month next if Consistent with the Divine Will.

Charles Perry Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly R.I. the 5th of second month 1919

The first hour Second Day P. M. was appointed to that service for the day.

The account from South Kingstown being presented it appears that the representatives of this meeting are - Amos Austin, Lewis H. Clark, Hannah H. Watson and Anna A. Gardner, their names

at this time which we believe

of Society.

before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in the 5th month next if permitted

Clerk for the day

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 1st of the Fifth Month 1919.

By the consent, received from South Kingston Monthly Meeting the following named Friends are representatives to this meeting. Anna A. Gardner, Frederick C. Bugbee and Amos O. Foster whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers which are believed describe our present state.

These answered with an account from this Meeting we forward to our approaching Yearly Meeting to be held in the Eighth Month, by our Friends Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster, Amos O. Foster, Anna A. Gardner, Edgerton Perry & Phebe W. P. Buffum whom we appoint our representatives to that meeting.

Henry C. Perry and Katharine Foster are appointed overseers to promote the orderly meeting of the preparative meetings of the Yearly Meeting.

The Clerk of this Meeting having stated to the Meeting that he desired to be relieved from longer serving as clerk – it was concluded to appoint a committee to suggest some suitable person to fill the place, and Edwin P. Hoxie, Lucy W. Foster and Charles Perry were appointed such committee.

No further business coming before this Meeting at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at this place in the Eighth Month if consistent with the Divine Will.

Charles Perry Clerk.

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Answer 3d " Friends are concerned to uphold
our testimony to a free Gospel Ministry.

Answers to the Queries.

Answer 1st All our religious Meetings for worship and discipline have been held with the exception of four because of Infirmity, and those because of storm. The hour for gathering is observed and Friends use care of unbecoming behavior.

Answer 2nd Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction is guarded against. No differences have been brought to our notice.

Answer 4th Friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech deportment and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading, and to guard them from worldly association, and to be good examples therein themselves.

We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Answer 5th Clear in the several parts of this Query.

Answer 6th No Friends needing assistance. Friends endeavor to keep their children under the care and influence of Friends.

Answer 7 Most Friends are concerned to maintain their testimony in the several parts of this query.

Answer 8th Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances, and to keep to moderation in their business. To be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of debts, and honest in their dealings.

Answer 9th Friends are concerned to carry out the several parts of this paragraph. There have been no removals without certificates.

Answer 10th We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with Offenders when necessary as the discipline requires. There has been no dealing or passing of judgement since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Nesbitt the Seventh of the 5th Month 1919.

By the account received from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting the following named Friends were appointed as Representatives to this Meeting - Anna A. Gardner, Amos C. Foster, and Gertrude E. Foster, whose names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read with answers to the First - Second and Tenth which are believed to describe our present state of Society.

Eunice B. Nichols on behalf of the Committee appointed at our last Meeting to suggest a name for Clerk of this Meeting in place of Charles Peery who has asked to be relieved, reports, that they are united in asking for the appointment of Lucy N. Foster, for that place, and the Meeting has united in her appointment for the next fiscal year, or until a new appointment.

Anna A. Gardner for the Committee appointed to attend our late Yearly Meeting reports that they were all present.

No further business coming before this Meeting we conclude to proceed to meet again in the 11th Month next if permitted.

Charles Peery,
Clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly 6th of 11th month 1919. By the account from South Kingstown ~~Quarterly~~ Monthly Meeting we are informed that Phebe P. Buffum, Gertrude C. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols were appointed representatives to this meeting, whose names being called all are present.

The queries have been read with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th as descriptive of our present state.

No further business being presented we conclude, purposing to meet again at this place in 3rd month next if permitted.

Anna C. Chace assistant clerk.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly, the 11th of Second Month 1920.

On account of severe weather, this meeting was not held on the 5th of the present Month, as in the usual order.

Neither the clerk or assistant clerk are present - at this time, being prevented by illness in the family and the severe winter conditions. Anna A. Gardner and Eunice B. Nichols are appointed to these services for the day. The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting is present, from it we learn the representatives to this meeting are Mary S. Daniel, Hannah W. Webster and Elizabeth P. Nichols, one of whom is present, satisfactory reasons are given for the absence of the other two. The queries have been read with the answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th as descriptive of our present state.

As further business coming before this meeting we conclude by adjourning to meet in this place in 3rd month next if permitted.

Anna A. Gardner,
Clerk for the day

At a Short Session Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Wrightsborough the 6th day of the month 1820

To the account from South Kingstown was then read & it appears that the representatives at this meeting are Lucy H. Foster, Charles Perry, Eunice B. Slack and Mary Tennard their names being called all are present.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers to each which we believe answers the present state of our society which we forward with the account from this Meeting to our next Quarterly Meeting by our Friends Edward Perry, Eunice B. Nichols, Phebe P. Perry, Hannah H. Robbins, Katharine H. Foster and Lucy Perry, Anna A. Gardner, and Mary T. Tennard whom we appoint our representatives.

Lucy H. Perry our Recorder to the Foster are appointed to present the Records relating to the people at this Monthly Meeting at our Quarterly Meeting

As further business claims our attention at this time we conclude proposing to meet in the 8th month next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster Clerk

Answers to the Queries

1st. [illegible] the exception of five because of extreme weather conditions, the hour for gathering is observed, and Friends generally of becoming behavior therein.

2nd. Love and unity are maintained in a good degree, Detraction is guarded [illegible]

3rd. Friends are concerned to [illegible] testimony to a waiting spiritual worship and to a free gospel ministry.

4th. Friends are concerned to bring [illegible] under their notice in [illegible] of speech deportment and appearance [illegible] and to guard them from worldly association, and to be good examples herein themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

5th. Clear in the first two parts of this Query. There has been one case of marriage with one who is not a member.

6th. As Friends reading assistance, Friends endeavor to keep their children under the care and influence of Friends.

Ans. 7th Friends are carefull to maintain their testimonie in the several parts of this Query.

Ans. 8th Friends are carefull to live within the bounds of their circumstances, [illegible] promises just in the payment of debts and [illegible]

Ans 9th Friends are concerned to [illegible] the several parts of this Query, [illegible] but no removals without [illegible]

Ans. 10th The billiard, a care rests with Friends [illegible] as the Discipline requires, Therefore [illegible]

At Rhode Island Quartly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 5th of 8th month 1920

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we learn that the representatives to this meeting are Gertrude E. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols and Hannah W. Webster whose names being called all are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read which we believe describes our present state of Society.

Eunice B. Nichols reports for the representatives who were appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting that they were all in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet at this place in the 11th month next if permitted.

Lucy W. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quartly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 4th of 11th month 1920

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting it appears that the representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Nichols- Amos C. Foster and Eunice B. Clark who are all present. The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read at this time which we believe describes our present state of Society.

No further business coming before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in this place on 2nd month next if permitted

Lucy W. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3rd of 5th month 1921.

The account from South Kingstown Saddles Meeting informs us that the representatives to this meeting are Lucy W. Foster, Phebe F. Perry and Amos A. Foster whose names being called all are present.

The Queries with answers to the first, second and tenth have been read at this time which we believe describes our present state of society.

We are informed that South Kingstown Select Preparative Meeting and Rhode Island Select Quarterly Meeting are united in proposing that the public appearances and gift in the Ministry of our Friend Thomas P. Nichols be recognized as a Minister. The proposition having been considered in this meeting it is fully united with.

No further business coming before this meeting we concluded purposing in the 5th month next at this place if permitted.

Lucy W. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 5th of 5th mo 1852.

By the account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting we are informed that the representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry and Elizabeth Perry and Gertrude E. Foster they are all present.

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time which we believe describes our present state of society, we forward these answers to our ensuing Yearly Meeting by our Friends Amos C. Foster, Clara Elizabeth Perry, Eunice B. Clark, Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster and Phebe P. Burlingame whom we appoint our representatives

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet in the 6th mo. next if permitted.

Lucy W. Foster Clerk

Answers to the Queries

Ans. 1. All our religious meetings for Worship and Discipline for a year held with the exception of three, the hours for gathering could be better observed with profit to the meeting, The conduct of members has been satisfactory and a correct attitude maintained.

Ans. 2 Love and unity are sought and are maintained in a good degree, Detraction is guarded against, No differences have arisen to our knowledge.

Ans. 3

Friends show a concern to uphold our testimony to a waiting spiritual worship and to a full gospel ministry exercised under the immediate authority and anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Ans. 4.

Friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction in simplicity of speech, deportment and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading, to guard them from harmful association and to be good examples before them themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most families.

Ans. 5

Clear in the several parts of this query.

Ans. 6

As Friends needing assistance. Friends endeavor to keep their children under the care and influence of Friends.

Ans. 7

Friends try to maintain their testimony in the several parts of this query. A more vital testimony for Peace and disarmament, however, would be in accordance with our traditions and would contribute to the spirit of love which the world most needs at the present time.

Ans. 8

Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances and to keep to moderation in their business; to be punctual to their promises, just in the payment of their debts, and honest in all their dealings.

Ans. 9

Friends are concerned to carry out the several

parts of this query. There have been no removals without certificates.

Ans. 10 We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as the discipline requires. There has been no declining or placing of judgment since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quartly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 14th of 8th mo. 1921

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this Meeting are Charles Perry, Sarah K. Olson, Amos A. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols, all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the 1st, 2nd and 10th have been read at this time which we believe describes our present state of Society.

This meeting is informed that the representatives to our late Yearly Meeting were all in attendance.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to omit in the 11th mo. next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 4th of 8th month 1921

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this Meeting are Charles Perry, Sarah Hobson, Amos A. Foster and Eunice B. Nichols all of whom are present.

The Queries with answers to the first, second and tenth have been read at this time which we believe discribes our present state of society.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet in the 11nth month next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3rd of 11th month 1921

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting which is present we have that the representatives to this meeting are Amos A. Foster, Eunice B. Nichols and Lucy H. Foster, all are present.

The Queries with answers to the first second and tenth have been read at this time which we believe discribes our present state of society.

No further business claiming our attention we conclude purposing to meet in the second month next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quartly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of 2nd month 1922

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster & Alice Edge Perry whose names being called all are present.

The Queries with answers to the first second and tenth have been read at this time which are thought to describe our present of society.

No further business claiming our attention at this time we conclude purposing to meet at this place in the 5th month next if permitted

Gertrude E Foster
Clerk for the day.

At Rhode Island Quartly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 4th of 5th month 1922.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Amos C. Foster Phebe F. Perry and Gertrude E. Foster all are present.

A propoition has been brought to this meeting that Eunice B. Clark and Gertrude E. Foster be appointed to the station of Elder, the propaition having been considered, is united with by this meeting.

The Queries with answers to each have been read at this time, we forward these answers to our next Quarly Meeting by our Friends Amos C. Foster, Anna A Gardner. Phebe F. Perry, Charles Perry

Eunice B. Clark, Anna E. Foster and Phebe P. Buffum whom we appoint our representatives.

No further business coming before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in the 9th month next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster Clerk

Answers to the Queries

Answer I All our meetings for worship and discipline have been held except four evenings meetings. The Lord mostly observed. No other unbecoming behavior.

Answer II Love and Unity are maintained in a good degree, Education is guarded against. No differences known to our knowledge.

Answer III Friends are concerned to uphold our testimony to a waiting spiritual worship and to a free Gospel Ministry, exercised under the immediate authority and anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Answer IV Friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech deportment and apparel; to restrain them from all sinful associations, and to be good examples therein themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most Friends families.

Answer V Friends discourage the manufacture, sale and use of all intoxicating liquors. Unlawful diversions are not avoided by some. A care is felt to keep in simplicity on all occasions.

Answer VI There are no Friends needing pecuniary assistance. Endeavors are made to keep our children under the care and influence of those in membership with us.

Answer VII We believe Friends are clear in regard to the different parts of this query.

Answer VIII We believe Friends are excepted to live within the bounds of their circumstances keping in moderation in their business punctual to their promises and just and honest in all their dealings.

Answer IX Parents and others are concerned to instruct our youth in the principles professed by us and to guard against unsuitable marriages. Our records are regularly kept. There have been no removals without certificates.

Answer X We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as the Discipline requires. There has been no dealing or placing of judgment since our last account.

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3rd of 8th month 1922

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Eunice B. Nichols, Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster and Anna A. Gardner all are in attendance.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read at this time,

Eunice B. Clark on behalf of the representatives to our late Yearly Meeting reports that they were all in attendance. No further business coming before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in this 11th month next if permitted

Lucy H. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 2nd of 11th month 1922

The clerk of this meeting being absent Anna A. Gardner is appointed to that service for the day.

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states the representatives to this session are Eunice C. Foster, Anna A. Gardner and Charles Perry, all are in attendance.

The Queries with answers to the 1st 2nd and 10th have been read at this time.

A concern was forwarded to this meeting from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting recommending that our dear friend Elizabeth P. Nichols be recognized as a Minister, full unity was with this proposition and she is recorded accordingly.

A concern was presented before this meeting that some steps be taken regarding

the religious education of our young people also that they may have sound instruction pertaining to the principles professed by Friends, the meeting approves this concern and Phebe F. Perry, Anna E. Foster, Lydia D. Perry and Rhoda P. Nichols are appointed a committee to have a care in this matter.

No further business coming before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in the 2nd month next if permitted.

Anna A. Gardner
Clerk for the day

At a Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 1st of 2nd month 1923

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting states that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry, Phebe F. Perry and Phebe P. Hoffman, all are in attendance.

The Queries with answers to the first second and tenth have been read at this time.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have a care over the religious instruction of our young people reports that some progress has been made in that direction, a class has been formed for the study of the Scriptures and are now engaged in the study of the Old Testament the attendance at this class has been fair

No further business coming before this meeting we conclude purposing to meet in the Fifth month next if permitted.

Lucy M. H. Foster Clerk

At Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Westerly the 3rd of 5th mo. 1923

The account from South Kingstown Monthly Meeting state that the representatives to this meeting are Charles Perry, Gertrude E. Foster, Lydia Perry, Emma P. Nichols & Amos O. Foster all are present.

The Queries with answers to each so far, with the advices have been read at this time, we forward these answers to our approaching Yearly Meeting by our friends Charles Perry, Harvey C. Perry, Amos O. Foster Anna K. Chace, Phebe P. Buffum, Phebe F. Perry and Mary S. Dannell.

A concern was brought before this meeting that it should become a part of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, some Friends spoke in favor of step and no recommendation was made and the matter was left for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting.

No further business coming before this meeting we conclude, purposing to meet at this place in the 8th mo. next if permitted.

Lucy H. Foster clerk

Answers to the Queries

Ans. I. All our religious meetings for Worship and Discipline have been held except seven mid week meetings not held on account of severe weather. The hour for gathering could be better observed, Friends are clear of unbecoming behavior there in.

Ans. II Love and unity are maintained in a good degree. Detraction is guarded against. No differences have arisen to our knowledge.

Ans. III Friends are concerned to uphold our testimony to a waiting spiritual worship and to a free Gospel Ministry exercised in and by the immediate authority and anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Ans. IV Friends are concerned to bring up those under their direction in plainness of speech deportment and apparel. To restrain them from pernicious reading, and to guard them from harmful associations and to be good examples themselves. The Holy Scriptures are frequently read in Friends families.

Ans. V Clear as to discouraging the manufacture, sale and use of all intoxicating liquors. Not clear as to avoidance of harmful diversions. More care as to simplicity on all occasions is needed.

Ans. VI. As Friends needing assistance, Friends endeavor to keep their children under the care and influence of Friends

Ans. VII Friends endeavor to maintain their testimony in the several parts of this query.

Ans. VIII Friends are careful to live within the bounds of their circumstances and to keep to moderation in their business. To be punctual to their promises just in the payment of their debts and honest in all their dealings.

Ans. IX Friends are concerned to carry out the several parts of this query. Records are kept. There have been no removals without certificates.

Ans. X We believe a care rests with Friends to deal with offenders when necessary as the Discipline requires. There has been no dealing or passing of judgment since our last account.